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Rabin renews peace efforts

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

As Yitzhak Rabin officially became Israel's new prime minister, he left little doubt that one of his top priorities would be to advance the Middle East peace process.

Presenting his government to the opening session of the 13th Knesset, the Israeli Labor Party leader invited the leaders of Jordan, Syria and Lebanon to come to Jerusalem and offered himself to travel to the various Arab capitals.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was the first to respond to Rabin, inviting him to Cairo on Wednesday of this week. As U.S. Secretary of State James Baker concluded meetings with the new Israeli government, there was speculation he would join them.

Rabin also issued an invitation to the Jordanian-Palestinian delegation to the peace talks to begin "informal talks" here immediately on how to quicken the pace of negotiations on an autonomy agreement for the territories.

His remarks appeared to have immediate dividends. The White House in Washington announced that President George Bush had invited the new prime minister to his vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, at an unspecified date in early August.

Rabin's government, comprising the Labor, Meretz and Shas parties, won Knesset approval by a comfortable majority of 67-53.

The three coalition partners, which together hold 62 seats, were joined in the vote to support the government by the two mainly Arab parties: the Democratic Front for Peace and Equality, known as Hadash, and the Arab Democratic Front, led by former Labor Party Knesset member Abdel Wahab Darousha.

Darousha said his two-man faction had decided to support the government, rather than abstain, and would give Rabin a year's "credit" to test whether he truly intended to implement the policies he had enunciated.

Hadash apparently decided to follow suit, though it had earlier said it would abstain unless Shas failed to join the government.

In his Knesset address, Rabin urged Palestinians in the territories to set aside violence for the duration of the peace negotiations, but warned that there would be "no compromise" in suppressing unrest if the Israeli authorities had to act against it.

Palestinian leader Faisal Husseini reacted with interest to the new Israeli leader's remarks.

But members of the outgoing government were decidedly less enthusiastic. Likud leader Yitzhak Shamir, who now becomes head of the opposition, termed the Rabin speech "bereft of vision."

Speaking after Rabin, Shamir said the new government represents "a step downward in terms of government." He flayed the Labor Party leader for having "offered a chimerical formula of peace now," which he said was "akin to a nihilistic philosophy."

The outgoing prime minister noted bitterly that Rabin had "not mentioned Eretz Yisrael" in his speech and proceeded to warn the government that the nation would not be prepared to give up its historic right to the "one and only" biblical Land of Israel.

In the lengthy debate that ensued, Ariel Sharon triggered a storm of interruptions when he insisted that Arabs have no political rights, only personal rights, in the Land of Israel.

The outgoing government's hardline Likud housing minister went on to claim that for the first time in Israel's history, its Arab minority had determined the shape of its government in the election.

Darousha of the Arab Democratic Party, shouting from his seat above the gavel strokes of the newly installed Knesset speaker, Labor's Shevach Weiss, accused Sharon of "incitement."

In his speech, Rabin listed the new government's order of priorities, which he stressed represent a marked difference from that which has gone before.

In the top spot, he put "security, personal and national," followed by "making peace and preventing war." Then came combating unemployment, promoting aliyah, furthering economic growth, strengthening Israel's democracy, ensuring equality for all its citizens and safeguarding human rights.

"We will change the national order of priorities," he declared repeatedly. "There are tremendous expectations directed toward us, at home and abroad," and Israel is "fully aware of them."

"There is a sense in our nation that this is a propitious moment in time. There will be struggles, disappointments and tears," he said, "but we will strive for a better Israel."

Israeli Cabinet

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin will retain the Defence Ministry post for himself and temporarily hold the Religious Affairs and the Labor and Welfare posts, in the hope that additional parties will join his government.

Portfolio	*Minister*	*Party*
Prime Minister, Defence	Yitzhak Rabin	Labor
Foreign Affairs	Shimon Peres	Labor
Transport	Yisrael Kessar	Labor
Health	Haim Ramon	Labor
Finance	Avraham Shohat	Labor
Commerce & Industry	Micha Harish	Labor
Tourism	Uzi Baram	Labor
Housing	Binyamin Ben-Eliezer	Labor
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Police, Communications	Moshe Shahal	Labor
Justice	David Libai	Labor
Economic Planning	Shimon Shetreet	Labor
Agriculture	Ya'acov Tsur	Labor
Education	Shulamit Aloni	Meretz
Absorption	Yair Tsaban	Meretz
Energy	Amnon Rubinstein	Meretz
Interior	Arye Deri	Shas

Yitzhak Rabin speaks after receiving the mandate to form Israel's next government from President Chaim Herzog. [RNS photo/Reuters]

Peres named minister of foreign affairs

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Shimon Peres is foreign minister and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin heads the Defence Ministry himself in the new Israeli government, based on a narrow coalition between Labor, the left-wing Meretz bloc, and Shas, the Sephardi religious party.

Rabin ran aground in his efforts to entice the right-wing Tsomet party to join his coalition. The party's leader, Rafael Eitan, was angry that Rabin reneged on a promise to let him become education minister, a post he gave to Shulamit Aloni, leader of Meretz.

The appointment of Aloni, who is an outspoken opponent of the Orthodox religious establishment, has also angered the United Torah Judaism party, which is now unlikely to join the coalition for the foreseeable future.

Both Rabbi Eliezer Schach, spiritual leader of the party's Degel HaTorah faction, and Rabbi Moshe Yehoshua Hager, the Chassidic rebbe of Vishnitz, cited Rabin's selection of Aloni in statements they issued forbidding the party from entering the coalition.

Rabin is now governing with a slim 62-seat majority in the 120-member Knesset, with additional tacit support from the two Arab parties, which control five seats.

"I had hoped the government would be broader," Rabin admitted in remarks to Labor's Central Committee. With only 17 ministers, the new Cabinet is one of the smallest in Israel's history.

Rabin said he was leaving both the Religious Affairs Ministry and the Labor and Welfare Ministry posts open, in the event that other parties wanted to join the government.

The National Religious Party has traditionally held the first post, and the second has been the preserve of Agudat Yisrael, now part of United Torah Judaism.

Ashkenazi leaders of Israel's haredi, or ultra-Orthodox, community are trying to force Shas to rescind its agreement with Labor by threatening to "delegitimize" the Shas spiritual leader, former Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, unless he orders his party to quit the coalition or has Aloni removed from her post.

Nevertheless, Rabbi Yosef appears to be determined to assert his independence. Last weekend he published a lengthy, handwritten statement explaining that he had decided to join the government in order to protect and enhance the gains Shas has won in recent years in terms of haredi education, specifically the military service deferment system for yeshiva students.

Meanwhile, the Meretz bloc continued to put pressure on Rabin to find a suitable post for Knesset member Yossi Sarid, an outspoken dove. Sarid shocked his party by accusing Meretz leaders of "leaving me injured on the battlefield."

At a Meretz meeting, Sarid said Rabin had exercised a personal veto against him and that Meretz leaders had gone along with it.

Aloni and Yair Tsaban, head of Meretz's Mapam component, denied the accusation. But there was plainly tension within the party's ranks.

Rabin, in his speech to the Labor Central Committee, ruled out the idea of electing Sarid as speaker of the Knesset, saying that Labor had the "right and the duty" to keep that post within its own ranks.

Knesset member Shevach Weiss, a popular lawmaker and political scientist, received the nod.

In a move clearly designed to convey a message of continuity, the Cabinet on Sunday named Elyakim Rubinstein to return as cabinet secretary for an interim three-month period. Rabin wants Rubinstein, who has served as chief negotiator with the Palestinians and Jordanians, to continue to play a pivotal role, at least for the time being.

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Eban wants Negev, Galilee developed

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Abba Eban is calling on Israel's new government to abandon the previous Likud government's policy of building Jewish settlements in Gaza and the West Bank. Instead, he said, Israel's energies and money should go toward settling the Negev and the Galilee.

The keynote speaker at Winnipeg's annual Negev Dinner, Israel's former longtime foreign minister spoke, fittingly, about David Ben-Gurion's passion for the Negev. Israel's first prime minister was adamant that the Negev should be part of the map of Israel, Eban noted.

"Ben-Gurion saw the Negev on the one hand as an empty area crying out for Zionist inspiration and reclamation," Eban said. "He also saw it as an area where we wouldn't have to encroach on the Arabs."

Hamilton, Windsor dinners see page 27

With Negev Dinner honoree Sidney Spivak (second from left) and his wife Mira is Harold Buchwald and Judge Elizabeth Willcock.

Eban reported that he, Teddy Kollek (Jerusalem's mayor) and Israel's president, Chaim Herzog, have joined forces to oppose "those who encourage encroachment in Arab areas. "We can only live together side-by-side with the Arabs as two nations if we concentrate on developing and settling largely empty areas such as the Negev and the Galil where our legitimacy is established and we are not encroaching," he said.

The Negev Dinner, under the sponsorship of the Jewish National Fund of Winnipeg, Manitoba/Saskatchewan region, is one of Canada's largest fundraising events of its kind in terms of attendance. With Eban as the guest speaker and Sidney Spivak the honoree, this year's dinner drew 1,538 people, the largest turnout in its 40-year history.

The master of ceremonies for the evening was Harold Buchwald, a previous honoree, who is a cousin and lifelong friend of Spivak. He and Citizenship Judge Elizabeth Willcock, a longtime Spivak co-worker and family friend, made the presentation to the honoree.

Willcock described Spivak, a cabinet minister in the Duff Roblin government in the 1960s and leader of the official opposition in the Manitoba legislature in the 1970s, as a "decent and civilizing force in politics. He played hard and gave no quarter," she said, "but he respected the game. When I explain to new Canadians what makes a good citizen, I am describing Sidney Spivak. He is an outstanding role model."

Buchwald described Spivak as an innovator and achiever. He spoke of Spivak's five years (1986-1991) as national chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, his vast network of friends and acquaintances, his access to the highest levels of government, the hours he put in and his gentle but firm and persuasive manner.

Spivak spoke of the examples his parents set in being sensitive to injustice and in community service. He spoke about his pride in Canada, a country where one is free to be a Jew and a Canadian.

Abba Eban also spoke of Israel's achievements over four decades, including an eight-fold growth in its Jewish population, the growth of its economy from nothing to $12 billion, the growth in culture and power. "There is confusion today, though, in values," he said, "as a result of our early hopes of Utopia having clashed with the harsh realities of life.

"It was morning," Eban said recalling Israel's early days. "We were young and it was good to be alive. There was the sense of unlimited potential ahead."

Utopias, however, Eban pointed out, don't have neighbors and Israel's neighbors have assailed the country with "implacable antagonism and enmity." With the collapse of communism and the destruction of Iraq's military might, though, he sees a new era dawning and opportunities to cut a deal. For those who fear Arabs can't be trusted, he pointed to the enduring peace with Egypt, the willingness for the first time of most Arab countries to sit down at the same table with Israel and the continued strong American support for Israel.

Eban feels Israel's priorities should be absorption of the flood of new immigrants who have come in the last few years rather than pouring money into settlements in the West Bank. He would also like to see all people in Israel living under peaceful, democratic conditions which would mean Israeli withdrawal from Gaza and the West Bank where the Arab population lives under a state of coercion.

Yiddish comes alive in summer concert

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The shortest number proved to be the longest in appeal when Adrienne Cooper sang the hauntingly beautiful ode to his massacred parents by a Polish bar mitzvah boy at the open air concert in Earl Bales Park sponsored by the Committee for Yiddish, Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto.

The boy's pledge to his parents that he and his sister, who had survived the Holocaust, had been and would remain good Jews struck a chord with the audience of 2,000, many of them survivors.

The music for this famous speech was only recently written and Cooper told the crowd she was fortunate in obtaining it on a recent visit to Poland, and sang it to an audience of mostly non-Jews. "Poland looks the same as it always did but it has almost no Jews," she said.

The renowned Yiddishist, who was assistant director of the YIVO Institute in New York, selected numbers as famous for their strong stories as for their music. *Yoshke Fort Avek* was about the "Mack the Knife" character who swindled Warsaw merchants and then left his girl friend behind, pregnant.

An Alter Nign told the story of the man who was sent to market to buy oxen but spent the money buying songs from travelling musicians. When he returned empty-handed, he was beaten by the *porritz* (landowner) but he comforted himself by singing one of the songs.

Mort Freeman, the other headliner, opened his program with the traditional *Rozhinkes mit Mandlen* followed by numbers which invited audience participation such as *Mazel* and *Yass*. His informality included conducting the Zemer Chorale which by that time was offstage, having concluded several spirited numbers led by Charles Heller.

Freeman, born in Hungary, the son of a cantor, brings the bearing and voice of a cantor to the stage. He told *The CJN* that he had retired to a condo in Lake Worth, Florida when a Miami agent coaxed him to do a concert date.

"There I was at Catskills by the Sea," he said. "I had to pinch myself that I wasn't back singing in the mountains."

He said he performed in Toronto many years ago when the Jewish community was still centred around Spadina Avenue.

The Stan Hiltz Orchestra entertained with several numbers and Natasha Tyompkina was accompanist for the Zemer Chorale, Cooper and Freeman.

Observing that the committee's goal is to keep Yiddish culture alive, chairman Richard Bassett said the number of young people at the concert proves that it is succeeding.

An open air concert in Earl Bales Park drew an audience of about 2,000.

B'nai Brith lodges join forces

TORONTO —

Five Toronto lodges of B'nai Brith Canada have decided to merge under the name of Metro Toronto Lodges but the names of the old lodges, Toronto, Eglinton, Empire, Sportsman and Forest Hill will not disappear.

"They are part of B'nai Brith history and their names will be carried at the top of our letterhead," said Allan Feig, who will be installed as president of the new lodge Aug. 27 at Beth Torah Synagogue.

A number of members of the five lodges were inactive owing to health or age and the merger was approved by their memberships so that the new merged lodge with 500 members would have enough active members to carry out the humanitarian projects of B'nai Brith Canada, Feig told *The CJN*.

The merger has the blessing and good wishes of Gabe Nauchman, president, and Frank Dimant, executive vice-president, he said. The oldest of the five lodges, Toronto, goes back to 1919.

"We have a strong nucleus of volunteers and with a stronger financial base we'll be able to do more," said Larry Levy, president of Sportsman Lodge, one of the merger organizers.

He said it is encouraging that old-time members in their 80s and 90s have come out to meetings to approve the merger.

"There is a lot of work to be done for Jewish causes, here and in Israel and they will be the chief beneficiary of the merger," Feig said.

Feig, an importer, was born in Transylvania, came to Toronto in 1947 and joined Eglinton Lodge in 1954.

Others to be installed as officers along with the new president are: Avi Hyman, chairman; Charles Chaplin, vice-president; Leslie Moses, vice-president; Sam Green, financial secretary; Jack Rowan, treasurer; Rubin Sher, co-treasurer; Sonny Miller, fundraising; Sydney Fox, guardian; George Kulcsar, catering; Ben Samuels, warden; Phil Band, warden; Larry Levy, chaplain.

— B.R.

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Keegstra promises to appeal hate promotion conviction

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Former Eckville, Alta. school teacher Jim Keegstra has vowed to appeal a guilty verdict and $3,000 fine imposed on him for promoting hatred against the Jewish people.

"I didn't expect what I got," Keegstra is quoted as saying. "I expected to be found not guilty."

The court decision marks the second time the former social studies teacher turned auto mechanic has been found guilty of wilfully promoting hatred of Jews. In 1985, after a widely-publicized trial, he was fined $5,000 on the same charge.

Keegstra appealed that outcome and in December 1990, the Supreme Court of Canada upheld the constitutionality of the hate promotion section of the Criminal Code. But the High Court sent the case back to the Alberta Court of Appeal to deal with other grounds of appeal.

In 1991, the Alberta Appeals Court, finding mistakes in the trial process, struck down the conviction and ordered a second trial.

Despite being given wide latitude in selecting the jury and after handling his own defence, Keegstra, 58, was again found guilty.

Queen's Bench judge Arthur Lutz said Keegstra's loss of employment and 10 years involvement in the legal system were mitigating factors in determining his sentence.

The Crown case against him focused on the years between 1978 and 1982 when Keegstra taught social studies to students in grades 9 and 12. Student notebooks, essays and tests showed that he taught that Jews were evil, were imposters, were responsible for revolutions and wars, con-

Jim Keegstra

trolled the media and banks, and were engaged in an international conspiracy to destroy Christian civilization.

Students who parrotted Keegstra's lessons were given high marks, those who used other information sources received lower grades.

The decision of the eight-woman, four-man jury was applauded by Jewish groups.

"We believe [the] verdict reflects the feelings of all decent Canadians that those who would sow bigotry and hatred are an unwelcome intrusion in Canadian society," said Irving Abella, president of Canadian Jewish Congress.

"For four months, Keegstra had the jurors — his peers and neighbors — as a captive audience and he put forward his case to them as best he could," said Manuel Prutschi, national director of community relations for Congress. "He claimed that he told the truth and that he was a victim of hatred, but at the end of the day, the jurors shot him down."

Mac Vomberg, Alberta region chairman of B'nai Brith's League for Human Rights, said "we hope this verdict will deter racists and anti-Semites, especially those who seek to poison the minds of our children."

Sol Littman, Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre, said the muted media treatment of the trial, compared to the wide publicity in 1985, settled the question whether the case would serve as a platform for Keegstra's anti-Jewish views.

The verdict also "shows that Canadians don't buy the phony conspiracy theory peddled by Keegstra that makes the Jews the source of all the world's ills," Littman added.

Court hears Keegstra's views

TORONTO —

The first time Jim Keegstra stood trial for wilfully promoting hatred of Jews, the court accepted that "Jews" were a readily identifiable group.

This time around, the court did not take judicial notice of that fact, putting the onus on the Crown to prove it.

Enter Prof. Eliezer Segal of the religious studies department of the University of Calgary — the Crown's expert witness on Jews, Jewish history and the Talmud.

Over the course of four trying days in a Red Deer courtroom, Segal testified about the definition of Jews, about the Khazars of central Asia and about Talmudic passages quoted by Keegstra to allegedly show the perniciousness of Jews.

For more than two days of that time, Segal engaged in verbal sparring with Keegstra, who, foregoing the assistance of a lawyer, acted in his own behalf.

The cross-examination did not have a specific focus, nor did Keegstra approach it in a systematic way, Segal said in a telephone interview from Calgary.

"Keegstra was using the cross-examination as a soap box to present his theories," he said.

There was a point in which Keegstra "got up and began reading from the New Testament for one-and-a-half hours and asking if I agreed with the passages or not."

At times, the former teacher would look at scraps of paper on his table and repeat the question written there, with no apparent method to his queries, Segal said.

"When I asked for clarification, he'd just wander off and lose interest in the question," Segal said. "He's not a systematic thinker and he doesn't have a long attention span. . . He just used the questions as debating points, [with the purpose] of showing the superiority of Christianity.

"I felt like I had been transported to Tortosa or Paris in the Middle Ages for a disputation about religion," Segal said.

Surprisingly, the judge didn't stop Keegstra and the Crown seemed content to let him go on "and make a fool of himself," he said

Segal recalled that in earlier questioning by the Crown, he described Arthur Koestler's opus, *The Thirteenth Tribe*, as "a flawed book" that doesn't make the case promoted by Keegstra that today's Jews are the descendants of the Khazars, and not of the biblical Hebrews.

Segal said that underlying Keegstra's approach is "a racialist concept of the Jews," but that Jews have never defined themselves by race.

Segal said he also testified about false citations from the Talmud used by Keegstra to criticize Jews. One passage that Keegstra claimed required Jews to cheat Christians, in fact says the opposite, Segal said. It admonishes Jews from accepting money from Roman tax authorities that was collected dishonestly, he added.

Segal said his time on the stand was "tiresome and exhausting. . . It was a challenge. I wasn't really supposed to be debating, but there was no alternative. He would throw questions at you from anywhere and that puts you to the test."

— P.L.

Schachter welcomes court decision

TORONTO —

A recent decision of the Supreme Court of Canada (SCC) in a case involving child-rearing benefits could have an impact on a legal challenge to Ontario's practice of funding Roman Catholic schools, a Toronto lawyer believes.

The SCC ruled that courts can end discriminatory practices in the allocation of government benefits by extending the benefits to those left out of the government plan, though it would do so very carefully and not in all circumstances, Shalom Schachter said.

The court decision comes as a pyrrhic victory for Schachter, who won on principal but was awarded only court costs for his efforts.

Schachter's case began in 1985 with the birth of his second child. A lawyer for the Ontario Nurses' Association, Schachter claimed that under the Unemployment Insurance Act, as a natural father, he should be entitled to the same child-rearing benefits afforded adoptive fathers.

When the case finally reached the SCC, the High Court agreed that courts could order governments to pay social benefits when their allocation is discriminatory, though not in every case.

In the school funding case, five Jewish parents have asked an Ontario court to order the provincial government to fund Jewish schools as it does Roman Catholic schools. They argue that parents of children in Jewish schools are entitled under the freedom of religion and equality provisions of the Charter to that funding.

Schachter, a member of the executive of Canadian Jewish Congress' Ontario region, said the High Court in his paternity benefits case held that the principle of extending benefits is applicable where substantive Charter rights are involved. In situations where the court is asked to end discriminatory practices but where social policy issues are involved, and not substantive rights, it may decline to do so, leaving it up to legislatures to extend the benefits, Schachter said.

Appling those principles to the school funding case, Schachter suggested that if the court finds that the current government practice infringes Jewish parents' freedom of religion — a substantive right — it could order extension of benefits to end the discriminatory practice.

If however, it rules that the equality provision was being violated and that the funding question is a social policy issue, it would look to the purpose of the legislation when it was enacted at Confederation.

In that case, a court might find that extending the benefit contradicted the legislators' original intent in confering it, and it may decide to leave the matter in the hands of parliament, Schachter said.

— P.L.

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March of the Living

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The 300 Canadian Jewish high school students who took part in the *March of the Living* trip to Poland and Israel this year are still absorbing the experience.

To go from witnessing the depravity of what the Nazis did, to the joyful celebration of Israel's independence in Jerusalem was to ride an emotional roller coaster. Many tried to set down in prose and poetry the feelings the trip engendered while they continue to draw meaning from it.

Here are some of their reactions:

Yael Staav, Grade 11, Edmonton

"I walked up and down the aisles of the musty barrack unable to comprehend exactly what was before me. That is how I felt, over and over, in every dusty cabin. I was walking through Maidonek like a zombie, unaware of my surroundings. Around me were aisles upon aisles of clothes, hats, personal belongings and shoes. The more we saw, the more I distanced myself from the setting.

The day was grey and cold, which seemed fitting to the death camp we were visiting. The air smelled of old smoke and the fields before us were filled with barracks. Around the camp there was a double barbed wire fence, placed there to insure that the prisoners inside could not escape. To make things even more uncomfortable, one could see new apartment buildings going up right across the field from the camp. Life around this dreadful place seemed to be going on as if the lot across the street was merely another park or piece of property.

The group had been warned beforehand that Maidanek would probably be the hardest to face. We had been told that this was the death camp with no glass or coverings, yet none of those warnings could prepare us for the history hidden behind those barrack walls. The group walked in a bewildered manner through different cabins, each one increasing the wave of emotion flowing through us. Some cried, some wrote in their journals, but all of us were faced with this question...Why did this happen?

Though the tour of the actual camp was a trying experience, the worst was yet to come. We were led to a large memorial where we found ourselves faced with an immense stone basin filled with human ashes. At first I found myself unable to believe what I saw before me. The tons of human remains lay there as a symbol and reminder to the world yet my inner conflict still remained...should all of thse people have had to die, to teach the world a lesson?

As I lit my yartzeit candle and reached out to hug another friend, I found myself more filled with anger and disbelief in man, than in sadness. Places like this should not have ever even existed.

Upon leaving Maidonek I turned around to have one last glance at the camp. I saw all 19 watchtowers, still intact and still seeming to be watching the Jews piling through its territory. But unlike the 350,000 Jews that had walked below those towers 51 years ago, I was walking out proud and with the best of friends.

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Joanna Raby, Montreal

I held a shoe
only one,
not a pair.
Covered in dust
tattered and flat
the shoe maintained
only the slightest
reminder
of its occupant.
I am not certain
whether it was
a left shoe
or a right one,
but the match
was nowhere to be found.
Perhaps it lies
beneath the heap
of others like it.
Or perhaps the child
only had
that one shoe.

Though the young participants in the march primarily reflected the emotional impact of the death camps, they reacted eagerly to the spiritual refreshment that Israel provided.

"Poland and Israel evoke profoundly different feelings among Jews," said Eli Rubenstein, who organized the Canadian participation for United Israel Appeal of Canada. "One represents the anguish of our past, the other the hope of our future. Along with the universal lessons about the horrors of war and evils of racial intolerance, every Jewish teenager who participated in the 1992 *March of the Living* took home one very important lesson in Jewish history: from here on, the Jewish people must have at least one country, one tiny sliver of land, where they are the masters of their own destiny. This land is called Israel."

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Heather Astroff, Halifax

It would be easy for me to tell you that what I have seen is unbelievable; but this is untrue. I have seen the horrors. I have walked on the ground worn down by their footsteps, stepped inside the barracks reeking of death, and smelled the green grass, fertilized by their ashes. It is very real and believable, but it is not understandable or comprehensible.

It is extremely difficult to create an illustration of what I have seen and felt this trip. I have felt vitality amongst the Jewish people, in the death camps where our people were murdered. The *March of the Living* united 5,000 Jews from across the world as we walked from Auschwitz to Birkenau on what was once the March of Death. Auschwitz was surrounded by Jewish youth in blue jackets, holding Israeli flags.

We were all here to prove that there will never be another Holocaust. This overwhelmed me with a feeling of pride, yet it was strange to feel such strength inside of Auschwitz.

As we marched, and throughout this trip, I was conscious of the sound of birds chirping. It must have been so difficult to hear the birds sing, a reminder of life when death was approaching. To walk under the *arbeit macht frei* sign in Auschwitz must have filled our people with a sense of false hope. To hear the cars passing by Maidanek and to look through the barbed wire and see the city of Lublin, to be aware that others were aware and did nothing, must have been terribly painful.

As we left Birkenau at the end of the March, a sign was posted which indicated our buses and instructed us which way to go - 1-300 left, 300-600 right. We were numbers and they were numbers--right to life and left to death, only now both ways pointed toward life. We had revised the path of death, by rewalking it and leaving Birkenau by the thousands.

Undoubtedly, the trip was emotionally draining. However, there was definitely a balance of happiness and sadness. Landing in Israel after experiencing Poland was absolutely incredible. We were greeted by Israelis who welcomed us with song and dance. It was beautiful.It was easy to fall in love with Israel. I feel at home there. I have learned a great deal from this trip. It was traumatic, exciting and rewarding. I have never experienced anything like *The March of the Living*.

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Shachy Leven, Winnipeg.

Shadows of the Past

She set out on a journey
groping at the distant shadows
and believing
that she knew and understood
their blank-dark visions
She filled herself with
each word of the Historians
each gesticulation of the Actors
each statistic of the Charts
She listened to her friends'visions--
She laughed their laughter
She cried their tears
And thought that they were her
own. She set out on
a search and now
She was there
face to face with the shadows
She could see
the blank-dark visions
of their eyes.
And instead of revealing
the answers
She was seeking
they let loose
a wild confusion that
clung to her and clouded
her already hazy vision.
She wanted desperately
to flee, to leave
the burnt ashes
of the past
and return to the
saneness and serenity
of the present.
She wanted desperately
to feel their pain, to hear
the wind's lamentations
break the calmness
of the stagnant nights.
She wanted desperately
to steal the tears
from the heavens
and claim them for her own.
She wanted desperately
to make sense of the jagged
fragments
of this foreign time
and place that
She had come to know
that had become
a part of her.
But she couldn't run away
from her new-found reality
for now she knew
She knew that no one
would ever really understand.
no one would ever
really know the blank, dark visions

of the fading
shadows
of the
Holocaust.

Joel Marans, 16, of Kingston, embraces the Western Wall in Jerusalem after visiting the death camps in Poland. It was his first trip to Israel. [Haim Gorodzinsky photo]

Joan Stevens, national chairman for the 1992 March of the Living, comforts Toronto participants (Elana Caplan and Michelle White) during visit to Birkenau, at closing ceremony of March of the Living.[Randy Spiegel photo]

Jonathan Burns, 19, of Oshawa, prays at the Western Wall in Jerusalem, under the watchful eye of an Israeli soldier. [Mark Feldman photo]

Rich Products recall products over false 'pareve' labelling

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Rich Products Corp. of Buffalo has recalled three pastry products after the U.S. Agriculture Department issued a warning that the foods were mislabelled as "pareve" though they contained small amounts of dairy derivatives.

The recall order for frozen chocolate eclairs, cream puffs and Bettercreme frosting (used commercially) came about one month ago, said Peter Fleischer, spokesman for Rich foods.

The kashruth council of Toronto has informed stores under its supervision as well as local rabbis about the products, said Rabbi Mordechai Levin, the council's associate executive director. Rabbi Levin said the U.S.-made foods were never subject to local kashruth supervision.

The recall order does not apply to Farm Rich or Coffee Rich non-dairy creamers, two of the company's most popular kosher items, said Fleischer and Rabbi Moshe Elefant of the Orthodox Union (OU), which supervises the kashruth of the U.S.-made foods.

Evelyn MacDowell, office manager of Thomas, Large & Singer, Rich's brokers in Ontario, said she had passed the recall order along to the "hundreds" of distributors of Rich's foods. It was up to them to relay the recall to retailers, she added.

But several retailers contacted by *The CJN* had not heard of the recall. Joe Goodbaum of Sunnybrook Foods said he received no recall order nor did Shelly Grossman, grocery manager for Miracle Food Mart at 2760 Bathurst St.

Rabbi Moshe Bensalmon, mashgiach at the Food City store at Clark and Hilda, said he too had not received a recall order. Rabbi Bensalmon said that he learned of the problem from a U.S. Jewish newspaper, and on his own intitiative, put up a sign warning consumers the products in question were dairy and not pareve.

The United States is most heavily affected by the recall; a much smaller quantity of the foods were distributed in Canada, Fleischer said.

Only pastry made in plants in Buffalo, Claremont, Cal. and West Palm Beach, Fla. are affected by the recall, Fleischer said.

The eclairs, cream puffs and frosting ingredient distributed in Canada are usually produced in the company's Fort Erie, Ont. plant, Fleischer said, so for most of the period in which mislabelled foods were produced, the Canadian market was unaffected.

The exception was a one-month period in which the Fort Erie plant was shut down to convert it to other food production. During that period, the Buffalo plant served the Canadian market, he added.

Rabbi Elefant, rabbinical coordinator for the OU, said the kashruth division has upgraded its safeguards to ensure proper labelling of Rich foods in the future.

He said OU has improved its in-plant supervision with more frequent presence of mashgichim (supervisors), by constantly "auditing" the ingredients that go into prepared foods to ensure the labels accurately reflect the food contents, and by lab-testing finished products to determine if they are pareve or dairy.

In a telephone interview from his office in New York, Rabbi Elefant said it would be "an understatement" to say he had received "very many" telephone calls from U.S. consumers.

"They are concerned and anxious to know if [the foods] are kosher and bear the proper supervision," he said. While the foods were dairy and not pareve, there was no question about their kashruth, he added.

The controversy over the foods erupted when U.S. federal and state authorities issued a warning about the labelling.

"There is sufficient evidence to require a further investigation into whether there was a deliberate effort to deceive and mislead federal and state inspectors," *The Jewish Week* newspaper quotes Agriculture Department spokesman Gerald Moore as saying.

Fleischer said Rich is co-operating fully in the investigation, which, due to the massive amount of paperwork that must be examined, has not yet concluded.

Rabbi Elefant said it appears the problem originated with a former employee of Rich, who, acting "with a financial motive," masterminded the "deception."

Bags that were labelled as containing soy protein, a pareve vegetable product, in fact contained sodium caseinate, a dairy derivative, he said. The problem may have originated as early as January 1989, Rabbi Elefant said.

Asked how the subterfuge could have escaped detection by OU personnel, Rabbi Elefant said "it was impossible to catch" since "if you'd opened up and looked at the product, there was no way to tell the difference."

Rabbi Elefant said "it presently appears that this matter was totally unknown to Rich's. In fact, Rich's management were also objects of the deception."

Technion avoiding deficits through careful planning

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

In troubled economic times, the Technion "is one of the few universities [in Israel] that doesn't have a deficit," according to Sydney Cooper, national president of the Canadian Technion Society (CTS).

Would-be deficits have been sidestepped with the help of Israel government grants, supporters from around the world, and "dipping into reserves," said Cooper. He also credits good planning by university management. At Technion, projects don't proceed until they are funded, he explained in a recent interview.

Similarly, the CTS, which will celebrate its 50th anniversary next year, was "pleasantly surprised to find that its cash income in 1992 has kept up with 1991." Cooper attributes that accomplishment to donors fulfilling pledges that had already been made and recognition of Technion's "key role." In 1990 and 1991, over $2 million was given each year by the CTS. Over $1 million has been donated so far this year.

According to a Technion brochure, 75 percent of all engineers and scientists working in Israel are Technion graduates. Cooper, an engineer himself, points out that the Technion has ongoing research in practically every area of engineering. The school, which is the oldest university in Israel, established in 1924, also offers undergraduate and graduate level studies in architecture, medicine, and other scientific fields.

One of its most innovative projects is the Entrepreneurial Incubator Company, a company which was formed to assist Russian olim at Technion in developing high-tech ideas to a commercial stage, Cooper told *The CJN*. The benefits include employment for additional olim as well as native Israelis. The Toronto chapter of CTS was instrumental in setting up and financing the company, Cooper said.

The company has about a dozen projects on the go, said Cooper, of which the Toronto group is backing two.

Technion is "in the forefront" of taking in Russian olim, according to Cooper. Even before official word came that all universities in Israel were to expand to accommodate olim, Technion "put together a plan of their own volition," said Cooper. "Technion got a head start. They foresaw the demands and made their plans accordingly."

Those plans included hiring more staff and expanding dormitory capacity — an especially important consideration, given Technion's location in Haifa. Because they are in the north part of the country, there is a greater demand for on-campus accommodation, Cooper explained. Technion also offers pre-academic upgrading courses for Russian olim in Hebrew, English (the language of engineering), and computers.

Technion's student population has increased in size from 8,000 students to almost 11,000 over the past three years, Cooper said.

Cooper recently returned from Israel, where he attended the annual international board of governors meeting of the university and received an honorary doctorate.

Sydney Cooper (right) shakes hands with Mikhail Gorbachev at the Technion's recent board of governors meeting, following Gorbachev's receipt of the university's prestigious Harvey Prize for peace.

MOSHIACH MATTERS

MOSHIACH: ON THE AGENDA

Moshiach has always been a subject that warmed the Jewish heart and inspired the Jewish soul. The Jewish people, like their forefather Joseph in captivity, knew how to long, dream an yearn. Like Joseph, they also knew that their dreams would inevitably come true. Recently Moshiach has once again touched the Jewish soul, awakening the dream of greater things yet to come.

Yet instead of the prospect of Moshiach bringing joy to the heart, some have gotten stuck on the issue and can't seem to move forward. The Torah, however, provides us with thousands of lessons on Moshiach, each succeeding generation further clarifying the subject. With such a vast accumulation of knowledge it's difficult to understand the trouble some have in relating to Moshiach. Here are some of the most frequently encountered questions on the topic.

Does the Torah obligate a Jew to believe that Moshiach's arrival is imminent?

In the course of a single day each and every Jew pleads with G-d some 60 to 70 times to bring Moshiach! In Maimonides' 13 Principles of Faith which many customarily recite every day, the 12th Principle deals with the coming of Moshiach and states: "I believe with perfect faith in the coming of Moshiach. Although he tarries I will await his arrival every day." Rabbi Valvel Brisker in his *Hagadah Shel Pesach Mibeis Levi (Brisk)* on the verse *"Lehavi Liyemos Hamoshiach"* explains that the correct interpretation of this statement is that Jews believe that Moshiach will come this very day and at this present moment! In other words, the Jews' constant yearning for Moshiach is not limited to the 70 or so times Moshiach in mentioned in our prayers. Rather, in payer, Jews verbalize their moment-to-moment yearning an incessant desire for the imminent arrival of Moshiach!

One may ask, what right do Jews have to pester and annoy G-d all the time with the same request? Imagine being called up on the phone ten times a day about an unpaid debt you owe. It's surely disrespectful to talk to G-d this way. Yet the rabbis institutionalized that Jews should relentlessly pray and question G-d's decision to delay Moshiach's coming.

Maimonides' halachic decision regarding Moshiach explains the incessant demand for his immediate arrival. He writes (*Hilchot Melachim*: Chapter 11, 12) that Moshiach will not need to perform any supernatural miracles and that Moshiach will represent a perfectly natural state of being. If anything, it is the Exile that comprises an unnatural reality. The Kabalists explain that G-d created the world in a perfect state, but Adam's sin distorted in The mission of the Jew and the purpose of the Torah is to correct that distortion and to return the world to a wholesome and fulfilling way of life.

The way of the world, as it exists today, represents an aberration. Random violence, abuse, addictions, self-absorption and the fragmentation of the family unit characterize a perversion of reality.

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The question is therefore not how Moshiach could come, but rather how the abnormal and deformed state of Exile can continue! Consequently, every instant of the day Jews feel bewildered and shocked that the Exile could continue for even another moment.

Is there anything extraordinary about our modern era which strengthens our firm and unyielding faith in the imminent arrival of Moshiach?

The global changes which occurred over the past two years were so incredible that no political expert on record could have predicted the broad sweep and the lightening pace of this change. This momentum serves to strengthen the Jewish faith.

President Bush calls it a new world order. Jews, however have long had a name for it: The Messianic Era. The Jewish prophets, over 2500 years ago, predicted the triumph of good over evil. The current state of affairs in which evil is under siege and on the retreat all over the world, while freedom and democracy are on the ascent, validates the Jews' optimism and hope in the future, their confidence in the inevitability of change, and their belief in the imminent unfolding of the full and complete Redemption.

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Dr. H. Merhav

On June 28 at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Centre in Pittsburgh, Pa., medical history was made. During a liver transplant operation on a 35-year-old male patient, a baboon liver was used to replace the damaged human liver.

Part of the team of doctors and researchers whose work led to this development was Dr. Hadar Merhav, a 39-year-old Israeli specialist.

Dr. Merhav studied medicine at the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem. After graduating in 1981, he did his residency at Kaplan Hospital in Rehovot. In 1989 he chose to do a fellowship in Pittsburgh, which he considers the foremost centre of transplantation in the world.

The CJN's Lyn Ben-Dat recently spoke with Dr. Merhav by telephone.

CJN: *How is your patient doing?*

Merhav: He's doing very well, recovering very well. At this point there doesn't seem to be any rejection.

CJN: How was this patient chosen?

Merhav: The patient had hepatitis B and additionally he has markers that show that he has hepatitis B of a particularly active type of infection. Our results to date, not only ours but all over the world, with transplant patients have been miserable. The operation often goes well but they have very early recurrence of their disease in a more aggressive form and we really can't give them any cure. In this situation we used the baboon liver because it cannot be infected by the hepatitis B virus which is specific for human beings.

CJN: *What is his prognosis?*

Merhav: When you perform an innovative procedure you can only rely on the experience you have from other related procedures and from experimentation in the laboratory. On both of these counts you could say there is definitely a reasonable probability that this patient will have a good outcome. But making an assertion that we think that the outcome is going to be exactly like other people with liver transplants is stretching it.

CJN: *What was your role in the operation?*

Merhav: I cannot claim to have had any active role in the operation itself. It was mostly performed by senior staff members with other people as assistants or observers. With regard to our general concept, we are all part of a very large team that takes care of this patient and others like him in the future.

CJN: *How large is this team?*

Merhav: There are a great many people involved here in Pittsburgh. Some are involved in surgery, many, many are involved in research and many are involved in ancillary services, such as hepatology etc. This is actually a very giant team, about 250 people.

CJN: *What is your role on the team?*

Merhav: I was a fellow in transplantation for two years. Last year I worked as an attending physician in the intensive care unit devoted to transplant patients.

CJN: *Are there other Israelis as part of the team?*

Merhav: Yes, there are two other Israel-trained doctors: Dr. Shimon Kusni, an infectious disease specialist and Dr. Rabinowitz, a gastroenterologist.

CJN: *What is the state of these operations in Israel?*

Merhav: In the last year there were four liver transplants performed in Israel, to the best of my knowledge. Two patients have died, and one was just recently done, in fact, I think it was done on the same day as the baboon liver transplant. At this point there are several people in and outside of the country with some training in performing liver transplants but one can say that there is still no team established regarding liver transplantation.

CJN: *You talked about liver transplants. What about other organ transplants in Israel?*

Merhav: Well, kidney transplantion is fairly routine. There is a shortage of organ supply. Definitely the program could be expanded; I think all around the country we're doing 100-120 cases a year and there is probably more need. With regard to other organ transplants, such as heart, lung and pancreas, these are still rare. I know there is a program at Hadassah where they have done something to the tune of 15 heart transplants and they've also done a lung transplant recently. But again, there is more need than is actually being performed.

CJN: *I understand that you keep contact with your medical colleagues in Israel. Do they complain about funding?*

Merhav: I don't think that funding is really the fundamental issue preventing liver transplantation in Israel. I don't think that organ shortages are the problem either, at least not with respect to liver transplants.

There's a combination of problems. One of them has to do with the willingness of institutions to make a commitment to organ transplantation. This does require money, it does require in some ways a different work ethic from many people. The problem is the competition between physicians and between institutions, each believing that they can do it best or that they should do it too. With the small numbers we're talking about, it would be unfortunate if two or three programs were to be set up, rather than one program in which significant experience could be advanced.

Mostly, it's a logistic type of problem. If the funds used today from insurance companies sending Israelis out to other countries to have their liver transplants were infused into the system, there would be no problem to carry it out.

CJN: *Can you give us a brief overview of this liver transplant operation?*

Merhav: This operation was not really different in technical aspects from any other liver transplant. The only difference, if there is one, is that the baboon liver is very small relative to the human liver and this requires a certain modification of the technique to put a small liver into a large recipient.

This is a very complex operation which involves removing the liver from the recipient, which is usually the more difficult part of the operation. That involves a great deal of very careful dissection in order to avoid major bleeding.

Then we go through a certain phase when the patient really has no liver. That is a very delicate phase--usually lasting about an hour. A normal person cannot survive more than anywhere from a few hours to 24 hours without a liver. The liver has a very important function regulating many aspects of our physiology, so that during the phase when there is no liver in the body, there is definitely a great deal of physiological stress and the team has to be very professional to handle any problem that comes along. Again, in the past this seemed like a very difficult task; today, with the knowledge and expertise people have, it goes very smoothly and routinely, so that you don't even realize how significant it is anymore. During this time the baboon's liver is actually being sewn into the body.

After this is done, the liver is reprofused. This is again a very critical moment when the liver receives the blood from the body. In this case of the baboon liver, there was a lot of stress at that time because we know from previous experience with a xenograft (transplant across species) that a hyper-acute rejection may take place. That can happen within minutes and if the liver is damaged at that point, there is almost no chance for the recovery of the organ. Fortunately, that did not happen.

Considering the fact that we are talking about a concordant xenograft (between relatively closely related species) as opposed to a discordant xenograft, it probably implies that there will be no severe hyper-acute rejection in future transplants of this nature.

University of Pittsburg Medical Centre transplant surgeons perform the world's first baboon-to-human liver transplant. Seen here, the baboon liver rests on the recipient's abdomen before being transplanted.

CJN: *Which other species could provide a concordant xenograft?*

Merhav: All of the large primates, of which the baboon is actually the most distantly related to the human. The chimpanzee, gorilla and orangutan are more closely related to man.

CJN: *So why was the baboon chosen?*

Merhav: There are many considerations here. First of all, chimpanzees, which are a much better fit in size, are so closely related to human beings that many people would find it morally offensive to destroy a chimpanzee with the idea of transplantation. And practically speaking, it's not reasonable to use chimpanzees because one could never achieve a steady supply of organs on any kind of reasonable economic base. Chimpanzees are difficult to breed and very expensive. With the rise of animal protection rights people, and I think even our own sentiments are such that we feel that these apes are so close to the human being as to warrant some kind of respect.

Gorillas are even rarer and difficult to breed and much too large. It would be an impossibility to use this species. In fact, even with the baboon, with the assumption that this human experiment will work, I foresee personally, I don't know whether others will concur with this statement, I foresee difficult problems in a regular and steady supply of organs from such animals.

If this operation works, first of all, it will take time and repeating the operation on several more patients to make sure that it works. At present, we have an allowance for four patients. I assume that if there will be a reasonable success, that will be expanded to many more. But we will still use them only for specific indications that warrant it, until one will be able to show that the safety of using the baboon liver is similar to that of using the human allograft (transplant within a species). Once that point is reached, there is going to be a major problem in disseminating this.

CJN: *Are you referring to people's sentiments?*

Merhav: Not just that. All the primates are not easy to breed. Baboons are relatively easy and, potentially, with some effort and money, I assume that enough organs could be harvested. But once this becomes a large scale operation, one can foresee a very difficult negotiation with people who have animal rights in mind. I think even for physicians there may be people who have moral objections to that.

CJN: *Do you have any moral or ethical objections?*

Merhav: I think it's very difficult to stand in front of a patient who has no other option and tell him he cannot live because an animal has his own rights. This is on a very philosophical level and is an issue that needs to be worked out, but it needs to be worked out in a very deliberate, studied fashion. That way there is, to all questions of morality, the question of what is the consensus. At this point, we're giving these livers to people who cannot get a human one. But once this becomes preferred, then you're presented with a choice. The choice is going to be occasionally difficult to make.

Yes, I like animals and enjoy their company. I think that for myself it is a problem. But I think this will be a bridge to the use of lesser species that have some advantages of their own.

CJN: *Can you give me an example?*

Merhav: Probably the pig would be the most reasonable animal. Pigs can be grown in different sizes to adjust for whatever type of human being size you need. Second, for the most part, pigs have a physiology remarkably similar to human beings in many ways. Third, pigs are enormously prolific and relatively cheap to industrially grow. Fourth, and maybe most important, you can potentially genetically engineer these pigs. The knowledge and technology are out there. It's a question of application. I'm sure that people don't have the same association with pigs as with primates; this country consumes upward of 200 million pigs every year just for food, whatever other products come from this animal. So I don't think there will be a moral objection against the use of pigs for organ donation. If anything, it's more important than barbecues.

CJN: *What do you see in the future of transplantation, say in the next 10 years?*

Merhav: I think the next 10 years will bring about a breakthrough in xeno-transplantation, of which this operation was definitely a major step. And once xeno-transplantation becomes feasible, organ transplantation will become more and more routine. And indications for organ transplantation will become much wider than they are now.

I think this will have an enormous impact on disease. It will change the way we perceive many diseases that are today life-threatening, and will change the quality of life for many people, not so much in liver as in heart transplants. Because many people who have heart disease will probably benefit from heart transplantation on a much wider scale than they do today.

The other revolution that I see in transplantation, though this will probably take more than a decade to overcome, is to finally penetrate the realm of achieving true tolerance, with patients requiring no immune suppressant drugs or very minimal amounts. Actually, xeno-transplantation and tolerance go hand-in-hand. In different experimental models, we can train the body to accept a foreign tissue and treat it like self. Unfortunately, these models have certain limitations on them, which do not make those techniques applicable to clinical transplantation.

We also know that some patients on their own, not all of them, not even the majority, but certainly there are some and those are well documented, develop tolerance to their graft and do not require immune suppression. The phenomenon is out there, the problem is to put your finger on the right button.

Report finds Quebecers shrug off xenophobia

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Whether or not Quebecers are more racist (and anti-Semitic) than other people is not the question that must be addressed; the more significant underlying issue is their tendency to shrug off the seriousness of xenophobia, says a report on violence and racism in Quebec, recently released by a committee struck two years ago after a series of violent anti-Semitic acts, particularly cemetery vandalism, in the province.

"Subtle or obvious, individual or systemic, racism is well and truly alive chez nous," the report states, as is the attitude to avoid the question of racism "rather than favor a realization of its gravity and put in place means to combat it."

At the same time, the 115-page report condemns the "often crudely caricatured" portrayals of Quebec as racist.

"Unfortunately, these two extreme positions seem to monopolize the debate in Quebec...The abusive allegations are returned by reactions of defensiveness and minimization and vice versa."

The report warns against the "trap of banalization" of the issue, which leads to inaction.

The Committee for Intervention Against Racist Violence is composed of: Pierre Bosset and Paule Sainte-Marie of the Quebec Human Rights Commission; Denis Langlois and Andre Paradis of the Ligue des Droits et Libertes; Fatima Houda-Pepin of the Centre Maghrebin de Recherche et d'Information; and Jack Jedwab of Canadian Jewish Congress, Quebec region. Financial assistance was received from the federal Multiculturalism and Citizenship Department.

More than 60 persons from various community organizations, public institutions, schools, the police and others with expertise were consulted by the committee.

The committee found it was difficult to determine if racist violence has increased in Quebec, but it believes racially motivated agression, both physical and verbal, is more serious than in the past.

Economic problems, the growing activism of ultra-right groups, the moral alienation of youth, deteriorating relations between certain minorities and the police and the weak response of the political leadership in denouncing racism are factors that may lead to an exacerbation of existing tensions, the report says.

As for the influence of Quebec nationalism, the report cites "the exploitation of the insecurity of francophone Quebecers" by certain racist or ethnocentric groups gaining a profile in the province.

The committee, however, does not associate this nationalism necessarily with intolerance.

"If some groups or individuals slip toward xenophobia, indeed into racism, it remains that most nationalists recognize the necessity of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the anglophone and ethnocultural communities."

A chapter of the report is devoted to describing the various extremist groups in Quebec, and the committee stresses the need to take vigorous action against them.

To ignore them because they are marginal would be a "grave error."

The report also stresses the lack of a clear policy on the integration of immigrants as a source of mounting mistrust between minorities and the francophone majority.

Integration must be seen as a "shared responsibility" between the host society and immigrants. Without this "common vision," the resentment among many francophones towards immigrants may worsen, says the report.

The report is critical of Quebec politicians for not speaking out more forcefully on racism and of the police for tending to downplay the racist motivation of incidents. The media is also criticized for sensationalizing or failing to put into context racist events.

The report recommends a broad-based educational effort to combat intolerance, involving schools, the media, business, public institutions, unions, and local communities, as well as stronger political leadership on the issue of racism.

The committee hopes its report will spark a wide-scale public debate, and suggests round-table discussion involving a wide spectrum of Quebecers.

A novel idea proposed is financial indemnification for victims of racist violence through the courts, as well as possible psychological support.

"Racist violence is too serious a problem to be seen as a 'problem of the minorities': it is the whole of society that must get involved in the fight against intolerance and racism," the report concludes.

Quebec a tolerant province, says retiring Judge Gold

MONTREAL —

Alan B. Gold, who stepped down as chief justice of Quebec Superior Court July 22 having reached the mandatory retirement of age of 75, does not like a lot of fuss about the fact that his 50-year legal career has been marked by several significant firsts for a Jew.

But he does not hesitate to say that Quebec "is as tolerant, if not more tolerant, as any province."

He was the first Jewish Superior Court chief justice (and one of a very few anglophones) when he was appointed by the Trudeau federal cabinet in 1983. More significantly, perhaps, he was the first provincially-appointed Jewish judge in Quebec when in 1961 Premier Jean Lesage named him a district judge and vice-chairman of the Quebec Labor Relations Board.

Gold had also been the first Jewish president of the Junior Bar Association of Montreal 1951-52 and Quebec Bar examiner in 1952, and, later, the first Jewish associate chief (1965-70) and chief (1970-83) of the Provincial Court.

"There had been agitation among Jewish lawyers that a Jewish judge be appointed. I think it's fair to say, that Mr. Lesage was responding to a reasonable request, which also fell within the requirement that the vice-chairman [of the Labor Relations Board] be English," Gold said of the 1961 appointment.

"I like to believe that [my appointments to the bench] have been on merit. Some might say they were made despite the fact that I was Jewish."

In 1965, he admits that, "in some circles in the judicial world, my appointment was not met with extreme enthusiasm...[associate chief judge] was traditionally a francophone post."

He is certain there was "no symbolism at all" in the Trudeau cabinet's naming him chief justice of Superior Court, succeeding Jules Deschenes. "I would be very astonished to think the slightest consideration was given to my being Jewish."

Born in Montreal, Gold spoke Yiddish before English and attended the "Folkshule," although his family were founders of the Peretz School. His love of Yiddish has not waned over the years, even if he has little occasion to use it. He is a member of Mama Loshn, a group made up largely of those regaining the language of their childhood.

Gold considers plain common sense an essential quality of good judgment, an attribute he may have gained from his strong community roots.

"It goes without saying that a judge must know the law, but that is not enough. Common sense or horse sense, as the Americans say, is almost undefinable. It's really something you learn at your mother's or father's knee," he says.

"A good judge has the capacity to cut through all the irrelevancies, to get to the real issue and then decide according to law and in a way acceptable to society in general."

Judaism has also imbued him with a sense of seeking justice and moral value through a legal system.

One of Gold's priorities when he became chief justice nine years ago was to clear up serious inefficiences in the courts. He feels that has been his major accomplishment. Known as the Gold reform, this massive shake-up sought to eliminate the "horrendous" court delays.

"It took years and years for cases to come up, and then they weren't properly prepared and took too long. With postponements and last-minute settlements, it was trial by ambush.

"In a word, it was practising law in the worst tradition of the 19th century, when we were practically in the 21st," he explains.

With the reform, "control of the court process has been taken away from the lawyers and put in the hands of the judges and judicial administration."

Today, he believes the Superior Court is run by the principles of good management, and as a result is fairer and cheaper.

He realizes that this has proven a "heavy burden" for lawyers, "changing literally the culture of the practice of law, but we did it."

The public probably knows Gold best for his role as a labor mediator, having taken on many assignments from the federal and provincial governments, including serving as chief arbitrator between the Quebec government and its employees between 1966 and 1983.

Gold gained a national profile during various postal strikes, including the most recent one last year.

His mediation skills were put to the test away from the labor front when Premier Robert Bourassa asked him to intervene in the Mohawk crisis of 1990. His mission was to bring the Indians back to the bargaining table at a time when tensions had reached the exploding point.

"Both Bourassa and Prime Minister Mulroney feared there would be a bloodbath if the army had to be sent in," he points out.

It was an unenviable task, though it pointed to the widespread respect for Gold.

"It would have been an act of cowardice, a dereliction of duty, to not go in. It would have been a lot easier to say I'm chief justice, I'm too busy."

Gold may have left the bench but he is not retiring. (He also will leave the chancellorship of Concordia University in September.)

He is considering a number of offers from law firms, and expects to get a call now and then from the federal or a provincial government to mediate some thorny dispute.

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New Vancouver congregation limits women's role in services

By MAURICE LUCOW

VANCOUVER —
Reduced participation by women in religious services will be a dominant feature of a new Vancouver Traditional Congregation, which expects to commence operations by Rosh Hashanah.

Abe Jampolsky, vice-president of the congregation which is still unnamed, told *The CJN* in a phone interview that the congregation, which will be affiliated with the American Union for Traditional Judaism (UTJ) will not grant aliyot to women, nor will women be counted as members of a minyan. While there will be "a form" of bat mitzvahs, the girls will not be called to the Torah.

Under a traditional setup, said Jampolsky, members of the congregation will observe a mixture of Orthodox and Conservative traditions, "somewhere in the middle." For example, there will be a mechitzah to divide men and women for those who prefer the Orthodox system, but there will also be another section in the shul for mixed seating, as is the practice in Conservative synagogues.

While he wasn't certain, Jampolsky said he assumed women will have to wear some sort of head covering. But they wil not wear tallesim.

Jampolsky pointed out that "men have the responsibility" of attending services and therefore have the right to aliyot. But women are not compelled to come to the synagogue so should not expect to share in this obligation.

The matter of driving to shul on Shabbat is left to the individual. "Very few congregations in North America making walking obligatory because there isn't a shtiebl on every corner. Those who live close to the synagogue will very likely walk, but most of us live too far and we'll have to drive."

Jampolsky said the three major synagogues in Vancouver have become too large and the new congregation wants to create a smaller, more intimate atmosphere.

While the present goal is about 100 families, Jampolsky thinks about 300 families will be the limit. Special attention will be paid to attracting the unaffiliated and especially the younger people who have shown no special interest in religion.

In a letter to the *Jewish Western Bulletin*, Dr. Arthur Hayes, the president, explaining the need for the new synagogue, said "people want to know if we are Conservative or Orthodox and the answer is: we are neither. Our religious outlook is based on Jewish law and tradition as the source and foundation of our lives as Jews. We believe one can live a full and rich Jewish life in the modern world through the observance of halachah.

"One of our most important objectives is to establish a place where one's religious beliefs can be passed on to the next generation. We will build a congregation that is supportive of an observant lifestyle and one that includes lay role models; a synagogue where graduates of religious and day schools will not feel isolated at a critical stage in their religious development."

Rabbi Ronald Price, who served for two years at Vancouver's Beth Israel congregation and who is now executive vice-president of the UTJ, will lead the High Holiday services. A search for a permanent rabbi will begin after the holidays.

Rabbi Price, who addressed the organizational meeting of the shul in June, said Orthodox, Conservative and Reform movements are no longer strictly defined according to their outlook on Jewish observance. "Everything's hazy," he said. "UTJ is trying to clarify questions of halachah."

Founded in 1984 as the Union for Traditional Conservative Judaism, the organization wanted to return Conservative Judaism "to what it was intended to be," said Rabbi Price. The Union for Traditional Judaism dropped its Conservative links because Conservatism has become more liberal. It was formed not so much to establish synagogues, he said, but "to bring as many Jews as possible toward a halachic lifestyle, where mitzvot are central."

At the organizational meeting, Hayes said daily 8 a.m. minyans will begin in September in the Wosk synagogue at the Louis Brier Home for the Aged. High Holiday services will also be held there.

Hayes said fees will vary according to income, family status and whether the member is a senior.

Liberty Net facing court related penalties

VANCOUVER —
Operators of the Canadian Liberty Net's telephone line face "serious penalties" after Federal Court Judge Max Teitelbaum recently found them guilty of contempt of court.

Teitelbaum found that Derek Paterson and Tony McAleer violated a court-ordered injunction by offering telephone messages from a line in Bellingham, Wash. after they were ordered to close down their Vancouver operation.

Paterson and McAleer were ordered to appear in court on Aug. 26 for sentencing.

In his decision, Teitelbaum said breach of the injunction, imposed last March, "warrants a most serious penalty to ensure this type of behavior does not continue."

The Canadian Liberty Net was prohibited from communicating racist messages after complaints were registered with the Canadian Human Rights Commission (CHRC). After court ordered the shutdown of the Vancouver number, the message on

Decision disgusting: Christie

the British Columbia recording referred to the injunction and advised callers to try a number in neighboring Washington.

Doug Christie, lawyer for the Liberty Net, called the court decision "disgusting," saying Canadian courts have no jurisdiction over phones in the United States. He said he advised his clients to appeal.

The court decision was welcomed by Michelle Falardeau-Ramsay, deputy chief commisioner of the CHRC in Ottawa. "I think it is a good day for Canada," she said.

Bernie Farber, spokesman for Canadian Jewish Congress, commended the CHRC "for its tenacity in battling Canadian hatemongers.

"We are gratified that the Canadian justice system continues to be a useful fence of protection from those who would vilify vulnerable minorities," he said.

One of the people who initiated the complaints against the Liberty Net was Michael Elterman, past chairman of Congress' Pacific region.

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CJA names Drysdale its new executive director

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Steven Drysdale, executive director of the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver and past director of the Joint Distribution Committee's Paris office, has been selected as the next executive director of Montreal's Federation CJA, president Harvey Wolfe confirmed. His appointment becomes effective Oct. 1.

He replaces John Fishel, who left in June to direct Los Angeles' Jewish Federation Council.

Drysdale, 48, is a native of Baltimore fluent in French — an important consideration of Federation CJA (formerly Allied Jewish Community Services) leadership.

In a telephone interview, Drysdale said that, having visited Montreal on three recent occasions, his views on the situation in Quebec and of its Jewish community has "changed completely.

"Montreal is a large, strong, active, dynamic Jewish community that has its place in Quebec."

He was surprised by the optimism in the community and its positive relationship "to everyday life in the rest of Montreal."

He expects his immediate preoccupations in Montreal will be "to try to assess the state of the community and the role of the federation in the community." He is particularly interested in gaining a better understanding of how the community perceives Federation CJA, which recently changed its name.

Specific priorities he listed as Pro-Montreal, a new initiative to promote the advantages of living in Montreal, and the continuing strengthening of relations between Ashkenazim and Sephardim.

Steven Drysdale

Drysdale came to Vancouver — his first Canadian job — in 1986 with the founding of its federation, an umbrella organization serving a community of about 22,000.

Fluent in French

After French studies at the University of Grenoble, Drysdale earned a BA in international relations at American University in Washington and an MEd at State College of Massachusetts.

From 1966-71, he taught French and Spanish in Lunenburg, Mass., and then began his Jewish communal career as director of the Fitchburg, Mass., Jewish Community Centre (1969-71).

Subsequently, he was executive director of the Jewish federations in Chattanooga, Tenn., and Akron, Ohio.

While with the JDC in Paris from 1984-86, he also had responsibilities in Spain, Belgium and elsewhere in Europe. He was involved in emergency assistance to Tunisian refugees and care of Eastern European migrants.

Wolfe described Drysdale as "very personable and having a very good knowledge of federations and of the local, national and international Jewish community, and he's bilingual, which is very important."

Wolfe said there were about 25 initial candidates for Fishel's job from within Canada and elsewhere, who were narrowed down to four by a "blue-ribbon" selection committee.

Wolfe noted that Drysdale appealed to both younger and more senior community leaders.

Drysdale said he delayed coming to Montreal until October to give the Vancouver community time to find his successor. "I was the founding director of the federation and I feel I have an obligation to the community to ensure a smooth transition."

Drysdale will settle in Montreal with wife Cynthia, a Boston native and medical social worker, and youngest daughter Rebecca, 13.

His eldest children, a 23-year-old son and another daughter, 21, will continue their studies in LA and Seattle, respectively. The daughter had earlier gone to university in Montreal, Drysdale's sole previous link with this city.

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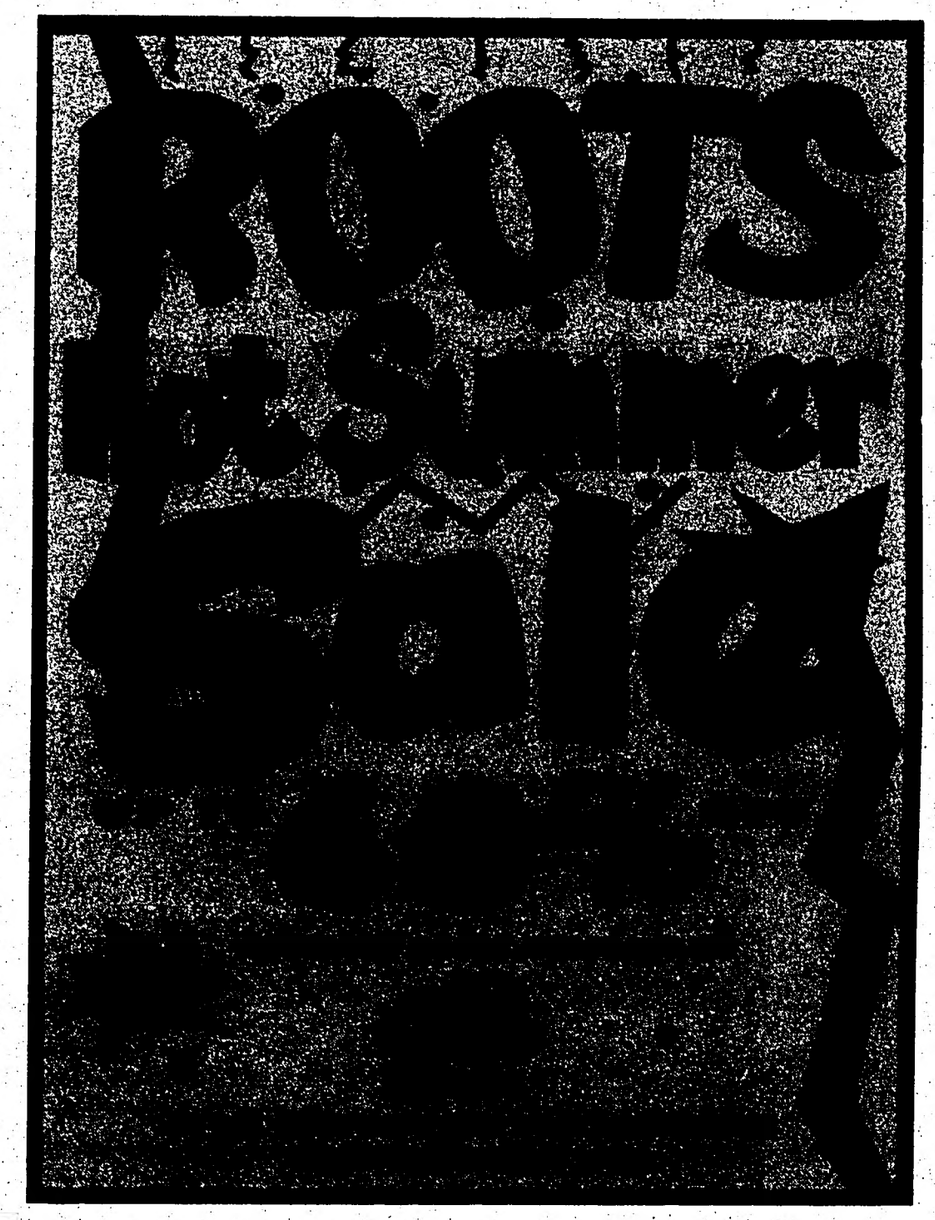

Election changes seen as illusionary

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

"New directions for Israel," the title of a recent speech on the implications of Israel's June 23 elections, was a misnomer, according to Dr. David Goldberg. "Although the results of the elections will obviously cause *some* changes in Israeli political life, I do not believe that these changes will be of the revolutionary variety," he said.

Goldberg, who is co-ordinator of research for the Foundation for Middle East Studies and the publisher of Middle East Focus magazine, spoke to over 300 people at Beth David Synagogue

Also participating in the program was Howard English, director of communications B'nai Brith Canada, who was on assignment in Israel during the elections.

"I do not agree with the suggestion that Yitzhak Rabin's election represents the harbinger of a veritable 'sea-change' in Israel's entire approach to Middle East peacemaking," said Goldberg. "While committed in principle to the concept of territorial compromise, Rabin has gone on record opposing a return of Israel to its pre-1967 boundaries and to any territorial concessions that are not accompanied by firm guarantees of Israel's security.... Rabin opposes the creation of an independent Palestinian state. While advocating a halt to 'political' settlements, Rabin advocates the continued construction of a line of 'security' settlements," Goldberg said.

"While optimists in Washington and elsewhere may assume that the 1992 elections were 'a referendum on peace and territory,' there is every reason to believe that Israelis were voting *against* the incumbent Likud government and *in favor of* domestic economic change, as much as they were articulating a desire for substantial change in Israel's approach to the current Middle East peace process," said Goldberg.

"Any changes initiated by Rabin [regarding Israel's relations with the United States, the Arab states and the Palestinians] at best are going to be gradual," said Goldberg, and they will not exceed the limits of Israeli popular consensus on critical questions of security.

The most significant immediate implications of the election, believes Goldberg, will be felt in the domestic political domain, with pragmatism taking precedence over ideology, and the emergence of a new generation of younger political leaders, more educated in technical skills than their predecessors.

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The future bridegroom received a B.S. in Film and Broadcasting from Boston University. He is currently a fifth year rabbinical student at Hebrew Union College in New York. Brian is the grandson of Mrs. Ida Baumgarten and the late Abraham Baumgarten of Buffalo, New York, and Mrs. Helen Zimmerman and the late Morris Zimmerman of Toronto, Canada. He is also the brother of Kira, David, and Micol Zimmerman of Dallas.

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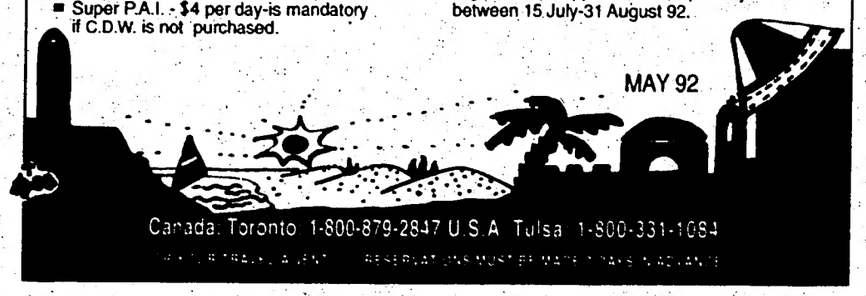

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Another setback for Levy

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

David Levy, the former deputy premier and foreign minister, suffered a further embarrassing setback when he failed to be elected by his party to membership in the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

To fill its five seats on the prestigious committee, Likud elected Levy's rivals for the party leadership: Ariel Sharon and Moshe Katzav, along with Moshe Nissim, Benny Begin and Eliahu Ben-Elissar.

Also disappointed in the secret ballot were former ministers Dan Meridor and Ehud Olmert.

David Irving, a self-styled historian who claims the Holocaust never happened, leaves the International Students House July 4 where he rented a room for a seminar. About a hundred protesters were kept out by the police. [RNS photo/Reuters]

Paper pummelled for hiring Irving

LONDON (JTA) —

The embattled editor of the *Sunday Times* of London, Andrew Neill, remained unrepentant over his controversial decision to hire one of the world's leading Holocaust revisionists, David Irving, to decipher the diaries of Nazi propagandist Josef Goebbels.

In an interview with the *London Jewish Chronicle*, he said simply, "It's my job to get scoops."

"If that means upsetting people, I'm sorry, but I have no problems sleeping at night," said Neill.

He attacked the *Sunday Times'* competitors, particularly *The Independent*, which revealed Irving's role in securing the lost Goebbels diaries from a Moscow archive. He called the paper "green with envy" at being scooped by the *Sunday Times* and said it had decided to make "a big deal" out of the Irving "sideshow."

The diaries, which are to be serialized in the paper in coming weeks, and not Irving, are the issue, according to Neill.

Members of Parliament, Jewish leaders and *Sunday Times* readers disagreed.

Even members of Neill's own editorial staff expressed dismay and embarrassment at his actions, which included a substantial fee for Irving.

One reader who canceled his 22-year-old subscription said in a letter to Neill, "The likes of Irving require two things to help spread their evil beliefs: money and publicity. Your newspaper has, in one fell swoop, just done both. This, in my opinion, is unforgivable."

News agents in Jewish districts of London reported a rush to cancel *Sunday Times* orders. Sixty subscriptions were canceled at just one shop in Hampstead Garden Suburb, a heavily Jewish district in northern London.

Neill also came under heavy fire from members of Parliament furious at his decision to hire Irving. He faced a barrage of criticism when he attended a private session of the Tory backbench media group.

The meeting, described as "irate," ended with one exasperated Parliamentarian accusing Neill of being incapable of accepting criticism.

Actress Glenda Jackson, who is a member of Parliament from the Labor Party, used the controversy to call on the government to consider making Holocaust denial an offence, as is the case in several European countries.

One of the strongest attacks on the *Sunday Times* came from a Tory member of Parliament, Sir John Wheeler, who is treasurer of the All-Party Parliamentary War Crimes Group. He called the paper a "sensationalist rag interested in high-profile entertainment, regardless of the feelings and sensitivity of others."

Jewish leaders were more muted in their criticism. Judge Israel Finestein, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jewry, expressed "astonishment" at the employing of Irving.

Meanwhile, leaders of the Union of Jewish Students vowed to become the "torchbearers" for the community. Chairman Robert Sumroy said a campaign against the *Sunday Times* was in the offing.

Holocaust survivor Ben Helfgott, who heads the Board of Deputies Yad Vashem Committee, said only Holocaust education would destroy the lies of Irving, who seeks to "defame the memory of millions of people, not just Jews."

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Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

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SWEETMAN — ARNET — SOREL

Mrs. A. E. Sweetman, of Montreal, submits the above three names for analysis.

Sweetman is an English name usually applied to a pleasant and agreeable person. The Jewish equivalent is Sussman or Zisman and was probably the bearer's name before Anglicization.

Arnet which is not a Jewish name appears to owe its origin to Aaron and one of its variants like Arnov or Arnof.

Sorel similarly appears to be a version of Sorin and Serlin, which derive from the name of the first matriarch Sora (Sarah).

All three of the names indicate modifications from the original Jewish name — the price of acculturation.

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LACOME

Patricia Fishberg, of Toronto, Park Memorial's efficient and intelligent comptroller, hesitantly threw her maiden name in the ring — Lacome. It sounds French, but my guess is that its origin lies in either Poland or Austria.

Lakomin is a village north of OLesnica in Central Poland.

If by any chance her family's origins were in Austria another alternative would be Lakompak (or Lackenbach) a village south of Vienna.

New hope for loan guarantees

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

After talks on Sunday night between Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Secretary of State James Baker, senior Israeli officials are now optimistic the new government's restricted settlement activity will be sufficient to persuade the Bush administration to announce its support for loan guarantees. This is expected to take place at next month's summit between Rabin and President George Bush.

Aware of this government's political constraints and its refusal to impose a total freeze - which according to original U.S. terms would include East Jerusalem - the administration does not expect Rabin to yield the politically impossible. Rather, it is buoyed sufficiently by Rabin's determination to embark upon a new direction and divert resources from th territories, these senior officials say.

Baker emerged from his meeting with Rabin on Sunday night saying he would assure Arab leaders that Israel's government is intent on restricting settlement activity in the territories.

When asked by a reporter after his meeting about the likely impact of Israel's new policy on the Arabs, Baker replied, "I am quite confident that we will be able to make the point with the Arab countries and Arab representatives that I will be sitting down with that we now have a government that is serious about limiting this question with respect to settlement activity." After their one-and-a-half-hour meeting, both Baker and Rabin said their talk dealt with the peace process, loan guarantees, and settlements. Neither side divulged details about the talks. Gad Ben-Ari, Rabin's spokesman, would only say, "There were no surprises, no breakthroughs, no decisions."

Earlier in the day, Baker told reporters: "We have been hearing . . . different things and different signals coming from this new Israeli government, and we would like to think that we could begin to hear some new and different signals from those on the Arab side."

At least the tone of Baker's remarks reflects an overall appreciation of the new approach the new government has taken since assumed office last week.

Alluding to the claims he was frustrated by being greeted with fresh settlement activity upon arriving last year to meet Likud leaders, Baker told reporters on the plane on Sunday, "It is a pleasure to be going to Israel under circumstances in which

James Baker

I anticipate that we will not be met with the opening of a new settlement or settlements, but rather a suspension of contracts for the construction of new houses or new settlement activity - something that I think can only inspire trust and confidence."

If Baker was appreciative of the cabinet's decision on Sunday to suspend those unspecified new settlements the Likud put in the pipeline, he had questions as well.

Specifically, he told reporters on the plane that he wanted to know from Rabin about the "anticipated duration" of the current suspension of new government housing contracts in the territories.

Another question would be a more exact definition of Rabin's distinction between "political" and "security" settlements before the Bush Administration could grant the loan guarantees.

Baker said, "We do not yet know exactly what the new government contemplates when it talks about the difference; for instance between political settlements and security settlements. And we just have to have a full discussion before I think we'll be able to answer detailed questions on the issue (of loan guarantees)."

The prevailing view in Jerusalem has been that if the United States and Israel could bridge their differences on settlements, President George Bush would announce that the administration supports the loan guarantee request at a summit with Rabin in Kennebunkport, Maine during the second week of August.

It is believed that Baker is seeking to orchestrate a visibly successful Bush-Rabin meeting. The hopes for the success of such a meeting are bright given Rabin's interest in accelerating peace talks and slashing settlement activity.

Beyond settlements and loan guarantees, it remains unclear if the two made progress on the peace talks or whether bilateral peace talks will convene in Rome before September.

Rabin is known to want to coordinate positions with the United States on contentious autonomy related issues, something the Shamir government never could do, because the differences were too wide.

Baker will be meeting this morning with Palestinians, and may run some of Rabin's ideas on accelerating the peace talks and reducing settlement activity by them.

Some believe he may reiterate Rabin's call in the Knesset last week urging Palestinian negotiators to meet him in Jerusalem.

Mitterand feels wrath of Jews

PARIS (JTA) —

French President Francois Mitterrand was booed by a small group of Jewish militants when he laid a wreath at the memorial marking the site of the Velodrome d'Hiver cycling racetrack, where thousands of Jews were rounded up 50 years ago by French police before being sent to concentration camps.

The protesters were said to be members of the Betar youth group, who were among the 3,000 people attending the ceremony.

The hecklers were apparently protesting the remarks made by Mitterand earlier last week, when he refused to condemn the Vichy regime. In his traditional Bastille Day interview, Mitterrand said those responsible for the deportation of Jews from France during World War II "have already been tried.

"Don't ask this republic to account" for what was perpetrated by the wartime Vichy regime under Marshal Philippe Petain, Mitterand said.

The more than 13,000 Jews rounded up at the "Vel d'Hiv" on July 16-17, 1942, were later handed over to the Nazis and deported to the extermination camps. Only a handful survived. None of the more than 4,000 deported children came back.

The issue remains heated here in France. Some 200 intellectuals, Jews and non-Jews, had asked Mitterrand to condemn Vichy's role in the Final Solution.

Heated debate followed the recent decision not to prosecute Paul Touvier, who was head of the Lyon collaborationist Militia responsible for the deaths of numerous Jews.

Immigrants credited for Labor win

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Israel's Labor Party owes its big win in the elections in part to the country's new immigrants.

According to the pollsters, 47 percent of the more than 300,000 new immigrants who voted in the June 23 referendum chose Labor, while only 18 percent supported the Likud.

Another 11 percent favored the left-wing Meretz party, while 1.4 percent voted for Tsomet, a far-right party whose share of Knesset seats skyrocketed from two to eight. But the newly formed immigrant party Da was left out in the cold.

The bottom line is that the immigrants vote gave Labor an additional three or four Knesset seats, for a total of 44.

"The new immigrants from the former Soviet Union made a significant difference in the election's outcome," said Dr. Aharon Fein, a pollster for the Tatzpit Research Institute.

"Among the general population, including immigrants, Labor received 35 percent of the votes. Without the immigrants, the total was less than 32 percent," he said.

Another way to appreciate the immigrants' influence, Fein said, is to look at voting patterns in places where large numbers of immigrants have settled.

"Among all Israelis, Labor gained 15 percent more supporters than it had in 1988. But in those communities where many immigrants live, Labor increased its representation by 25 to 30 percent," he said.

The pollster singled out the coastal city of Ashdod as an example. "In 1988, Labor won 23.4 percent of the vote. Last week it won over 32.8 percent. That's quite a jump, and it's due mainly to the new immigrants," he said.

Fein, who has surveyed thousands of new immigrants since April 1990, said that the election returns offered no surprises.

"For several months, our findings have shown that the vast majority of these immigrants were dissatisfied with the Likud and would choose to vote left-of-center," he said. "Even before this year, the indications have been that the olim were shifting from right to left.

"At the end of 1991, after the first big year of aliyah, we did a survey of olim who were in the country just a year," Fein continued. "They had just exhausted their basket of benefits, their subsidized training and ulpan classes to learn Hebrew. They were looking for jobs so they could take care of themselves. They found a society that wasn't ready to absorb them."

Now that Labor has the upper hand, the party says it will honor its campaign promises, both to new immigrants and veteran Israelis.

"It is not a question of feeling indebted to any one group," said Yossi Genosar, who led Labor's push to woo new immigrant voters.

Party leader Yitzhak Rabin "has felt and continues to feel a responsibility toward renewing the flow of immigration, of easing unemployment and finding homes for everyone. This is regardless of who voted for him or not," Genosar said.

What will happen remains to be seen, but Gregory Stern, a musician from Moscow, is hopeful.

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Sexual harassment

JERUSALEM — During the past six months there has been an increase in the number of women immigrants from the former Soviet Union who have sought help at Haifa's Rape Crisis Centre complaining of sexual harassment by employers.

The typical complaint is that the employers demand sex in exchange for continued employment.

In one case, a woman who worked in a social welfare institution said her boss had given here a week to decide whether to have relations with him and keep her job.

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Lions sent to S. Africa

JERUSALEM — The Tel Aviv Safari has sent 10 of its lions, all born in captivity, to South Africa to help a reported shortage of the animal in their natural habitat.

The lions were sent by sea in a special container on board a Zim ship to a private farm in South Africa, where they are to be raised.

The Safari spokeswoman said the aim was to stop inbreeding, as well as internal disputes which had prevented staff allowing all former 40 lions out of their cages at one time. She said the lions were being donated, although the private farmer was footing the shipping fees.

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Organ transplants barred

TEL AVIV — French health authorities have barred Israelis from receiving organ transplants at French hospitals, and Britain is expected to follow suit shortly. All other European countries will probably fall into line within the coming two years, it is believed.

The decision results from Israel's so-called organ deficit in Eurotransplant, the European transplant organ co-ordination centre.

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Elie Kedourie dead

WASHINGTON — Elie Kedourie, political scientist, professor at the London School of Economics and an authority on the Middle East, died of heart failure here on June 29. He was 66.

Kedourie was born in Baghdad, Iraq. A naturalized British citizen, he served as a visiting professor at Princeton and Harvard Universities, the University of Paris, Monash University in Melbourne, Australia and Tel Aviv University.

He wrote 12 books, edited seven more and wrote a number of essays on nationalism and the Middle East.

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Rabbi Tanenbaum dies

NEW YORK — Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, an architect of modern Christian-Jewish dialogue and one of the most widely respected representatives of the Jewish community on interreligious matters, is dead at age 66.

Tanenbaum died of heart failure July 3 after undergoing heart surgery here last month.

In the more than 40 years which he devoted to forging understanding between Jews and Christians, Tanenbaum earned the respect of religious leaders all over the world for his commitment, wisdom and sensitivity.

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Chassidic rebbe dies

JERUSALEM — The Chassidic rebbe of Ger, Rabbi Simcha Bunim Alter, died in Jerusalem on July 8 at the age of 95 and was laid to rest on the Mount of Olives just before sunset. A crowd estimated at 100,000 attended his funeral.

Ger is the largest Chassidic house in Israel and traditionally leads the Agudat party. But the late rebbe's lengthy illness meant that he had not been personally involved in national politics for years — although he did make a special effort to vote in the June 23 elections.

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Walter Kirschenbaum dies

NEW YORK — Walter Kirschenbaum, program director for the Workmen's Circle and an ardent advocate of preserving Yiddish culture, died July 11 in his Manhattan apartment of a heart attack. He was 72.

For more than 40 years, Kirschenbaum was affiliated with the Workmen's Circle, the Jewish fraternal and cultural organization, serving as editor of its publications, head of public affairs and co-ordinator of activities involving the organization and the Jewish labor communities.

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Family murdered

TEL AVIV — Five members of an Orthodox Jewish family were shot dead July 5, apparently by the head of the family.

The members of the Salomon family were found in pools of blood in their home early Sunday, having reportedly been shot to death by Yehoshua Salomon, who is said to have turned the gun on himself after killing his wife, two daughters and son.

The family dog was also shot dead.

Neighbors and friends ascribed the tragedy to mounting financial difficulties at the insurance agency which Yehoshua and Zvi operated together in Beersheba.

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New navy commander

JERUSALEM — Brig.-Gen. Ami Ayalon has been appointed commander of the Israeli Navy and was immediately promoted to major-general, the equivalent of rear-admiral. He replaces Maj.-Gen. Micha Ram.

Ayalon, 47, a former frogman, was decorated for valor for the operation against the Egyptian position on Green Island in the Red Sea in 1969.

During the 1973 Yom Kippur War, Ayalon commanded the Dabur patrol boat fleet in the Red Sea.

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Average wage 2.6 percent lower

JERUSALEM — The average wage in Israel's business sector was four percent lower during the year ending March 31, 1992 than it was during the previous year.

The average wage in the public sector, however, remained unchanged, leading to a drop of only 2.6 percent in wages for the economy as a whole. In certain subsectors, such as construction, transportation, and financial services, real wages even increased.

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Arab prisoners released

TEL AVIV — The Israel Defence Force has confirmed the release of 10 Palestinians held in Israeli prisons since their capture in Lebanon in 1985.

There has been no confirmation that these prisoner releases were tied with Israel's ongoing efforts to secure the release of an Israeli airman, Ron Arad, believed held either in Lebanon or Iran, or any other Israelis captured in Lebanon in the 1980s.

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Killer gets life

TEL AVIV — Fua'd Abdel Rani Alma'arin, 19, who stabbed 15-year-old Helena Rapp to death in Bat Yam two months ago, has been sentenced to life in prison by the Tel Aviv District Court. The killing sparked off serious riots in the town and led to the extended closure of the Gaza Strip.

The prosecution charged that on the day of the murder, the defendant, a resident of the Nusseirat refugee camp in the Gaza Strip arrived in the town by taxi at around 7:30 a.m.

He was armed with two big kitchen knives, and had come with the purpose of committing murder for nationalist motives, the prosecutor said.

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Waldheim era ends

VIENNA — Thomas Klestil was sworn in July 8 as Austria's new president, bringing to an end a bitter six-year period in which his predecessor, Kurt Waldheim, was shunned by most of the world.

The era of Waldheim, the former U.N. secretary-general and World War II German officer, provoked intensely negative feelings among the world's Jewish community and Israel because of his wartime duties in the Balkans, where tens of thousands of Jews were deported and where there were reprisal killings against anti-Nazi partisans.

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Farmer stabbed to death

TEL AVIV — An 84-year-old citrus farmer from Ra'anana, north of Tel Aviv, was murdered July 7 in his grove on the outskirts of nearby Moshav Batzra.

Avraham said the killing had all the hallmarks of an intifada-inspired murder by Palestinian nationalists. But they have not entirely ruled out the possibility of a "private criminal murder."

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Bronfman honored

OTTAWA — Charles Bronfman is among 22 new appointees to the Privy Council, one of the highest honors in the country.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney broke with Canadian tradition by naming non-politicians to the council in honor of Canada's 125th anniversary.

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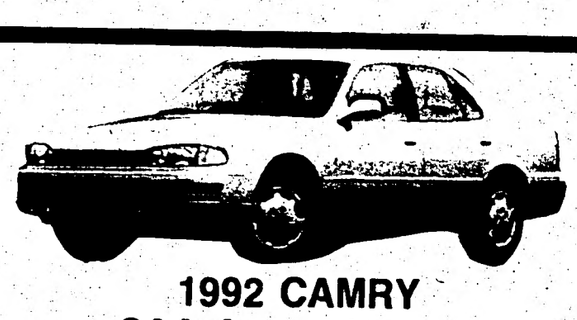
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Front Line

Israel's new media and political image based on a lie

By RUTH WISSE

Many Jews seem to be taking comfort in the new image of Israel that is being projected in the media. While headlines declare New Promise for Peace in Israel (*New-York Times*), editorials — with a uniformity striking even by the standards of current liberal hegemony — applaud the election of a Labor government as "the best news out of the Middle East in some time" *(Atlanta Constitution)*. If a shift of government in Israel can bring so much rejoicing to so many, one marvels that the Jewish citizens of Israel did not try to please the world much sooner.

Nor is this euphoria limited to the media. Within minutes of the Labor victory, reports were issuing from the White House that the loan guarantees to Israel for the absorption of new imigrants, notoriously withheld by President Bush as a sign of his displeasure, would now be forthcoming, along with an invitation to Prime Minister Rabin to Washington. Again, one had to wonder, if Israel could so readily win its popularity with those in power, why had it suffered so long out in the cold? Now that both the politicians and the media were satisfied with the goodness of Israel, North American Jews could hardly be blamed for expressing relief.

In truth, I am as tempted as are most of my fellow Jews to luxuriate in this rare moment of popularity, and to drop my worries for Israel. Here are the calming words of Prime Minister Rabin himself, speaking to the new Israeli parliament: "We must join the international movement toward peace, reconciliation, and cooperation that is spreading over the entire globe these days, lest we be the last to remain, all alone, in the station." If everyone, including Israel's new prime minister, is brimming with optimism that Israel can now join in the peace "that is spreading over the entire globe these days," surely we may take off for our vacations with an easy mind.

Ruth R. Wisse

As a columnist for the Jewish press, let me add, the temptation goes even further. Once in a while, I would like to be the bearer of glad tidings. Instead of sounding warnings about the intentions of the Arabs, the collapse of Jewish morale, the decline of Jewish population, and sundry threats to our civilization, it would be a great pleasure to say to one's fellow Jews: Go ahead, relax your vigilance; you've earned it. I happen to know some of the people who read this column, and I know how badly they need occasional words of comfort. So now that Israel is finding favor again in the eyes of the press and the politicians, why can't we trust the talk about peace?

Because the new image of Israel is based on a lie, and delusions can only bring illusory comfort. Israel could bring peace to the Middle East only if it had disturbed the peace of the Middle East. Israel could end what is called the Arab-Israel conflict only if it had initiated that conflict. Israel could terminate the aggression that disturbs the region only if it had ever generated that aggression. Contrary to popular myth, there is no "cycle of violence" in the Middle East; the cycle begins whenever Arabs press the button, and it stops whenever they call a recess in their anti-Israel campaign. The Arabs will bring peace whenever they accept the reality of regional pluralism instead of the dream of regional hegemony. They will bring peace when they put an end to war. Anyone who pretends otherwise — whether Jewish or gentile, malicious or well-intentioned — perpetuates a dangerous inversion of truth.

The exaggerated welcome of Rabin as the Prince of Peace is merely the other side of the earlier demonization of Shamir as the Satanic Enemy of Peace, and both derive from the same skewed interpretation of politics and history. Israel currently occupies an exceptional role in the family of nations not because the Jews are an exceptional people but because the Arabs have treated the Jews exceptionally by refusing to accept a fellow member of the United Nations at par, and by conducting every manner of war against it. The opposite of mythologized evil is not political messianism — with the Jews in the role of Messiah — but unconditional recognition of Jewish national sovereignty in a democratic state that may elect any government it chooses.

So, then, is it indeed possible that the Arabs are ready to make peace? The collapse of the Soviet Union eliminates one of the major forces of anti-Israel politics. At the same time, now that the United States has less need of a safe ally in the region, the Arabs may be encouraged to stock up on American arms without concern for Israel's security. The rise of Muslim fundamentalism may frighten Arab rulers either into seeking rapprochement with Israel or, alternately, into toughening resistance to Israel. Social and economic unrest may encourage the rise of democracy in Arab couuntries or, as is far more likely, the rise of cannier dictators. In any case, the Arabs will determine whether or not Israel lives at peace, just as they have done from the moment of its founding.

Difficult as it may be to confront this bleak knowledge, the consequences of obscuring the truth will be much bleaker still.

Jews an important part of Montreal's past, present

By ARNOLD AGES

This summer Montreal will be celebrating its 350th anniversary and plans are already underway for gala celebrations. Historically speaking, of course, the city registered on the consciousness of westerners at least 107 years before that because it was in 1535 that Jacques Cartier, the French navigator, was first welcomed by more than 1,000 Indians at the village of Hochelaga during his second visit to the New World.

It took more than a half century before Samuel de Champlain returned to the Royal Mount area that gave its name to the city. It was in 1642 under the tutelage of Paul de Chomedey that Montreal got its first houses, a chapel, a hospital and other institutions. King Louis XIV granted Montreal its legal charter two years later.

There is some debate over the date when Jews first arrived in Montreal, but the year 1760 has been mentioned in the context of Jewish soldiers as part of a British army detachment in the city. That would make 1992 the 232nd year of continued Jewish domicile in Quebec's largest city.

Until recent times both the city of Montreal and its Jewish community were the largest in Canada. The major Jewish organizations in Canada always maintained their head offices in Montreal as did many of the major Canadian banks and corporations.

The richness of Montreal's Jewish culture was defined also by the excellence of its Jewish educational system, its outstanding rabbinic leaders and by the poets (A. M. Klein, Leonard Cohen, Irving Layton), novelists (Mordecai Richler) and scholars (Michael Breecher) it has produced.

Arnold Ages

In the 1960s the Montreal Jewish community began to experience a syndrome which has been common in areas where Jewish populations have been caught up, sometimes disastrously (one thinks immediately of the Czech-Slovak, Rumanian-Hungarian, Serb-Croat, Ukrainian-Polish struggles) in nationalist fervor.

By 1976 and the victory of the Parti Quebecois, an excessively narrow interpretation of Quebec nationalism in which the enactment of a French-only language law played an unfortunate role, caused, in my view, a not inconsiderable number of Quebec Jews (along with an even greater number of English-speaking gentiles) to leave the province.

For the past decade and a half the face of Montreal's Jews has been changing. The construction put on that change has not been a happy one. Demographers speak of a steady hemorrhage which has seen the Jewish population of the city decrease by more than 20 percent.

Young Jewish university graduates rarely stay in the city and major Jewish organizations are moving their head offices out of Montreal, to Toronto. The migration of Montreal Jews has even attracted the attention of *Maclean's* magazine.

These developments have led to talk of demoralization within the community and a feeling that a once great collective is hurtling towards, at best, an uncertain future, and at worst, inevitable decline.

I think, however, that despite the undeniable problems, eulogies for Montreal Jewry are misplaced and that the community is still a vibrant one which retains both the population base and the critical velocity that will carry it through to the next century.

It is my fervent hope that this occurs under a renewed form of Canadian federalism in which Quebec's distinct features are recognized.

Rabbi Wilfred Shuchat of Montreal's venerable Shaar Hashomayim spoke about this during a recent Shabbat service when he acknowledged that Montreal's Jewish community has had its problems. At the same time he reminded worshippers that for all its vexations, the community had three significant accomplishments which made it unique.

First, the intermarriage rate, he noted, was extremely small compared to other metropolitan centres in Canada and the United States. Second, he observed that on a percentage basis, more Jewish children go to day schools in the Montreal community than anywhere else. Third, Montreal Jews, he said, ranked second on the continent in terms of charitable donations.

That is the kind of positive, forward-looking attitude which harbingers well for Montreal's Jews. I would add a fourth unique dimension to the achievement of Montreal's Jewish community — the integration of almost 30,000 French-speaking Sephardic Jews within the kehilla structures.

True, the integration has been attended at times by moments of friction and misunderstanding. It is now not uncommon, however, to hear the cadences of the language of Molière — sometimes on the lips of yeshiva boys — at the intersection of Van Horne and Victoria in the heart of Jewish Montreal.

The reason I term this an achievement is because some Ashkenazi Jews in North America have had a tendency to regard the Sephardim as just another ethnic group within the House of Israel rather than as a distinct branch from the mighty trunk of Judaism with its own cultural ethos, halachic norms and language patterns.

The French-speaking Sephardim in Montreal represent an amalgam of French civilization, Mediterranean tastes and Judaic religious sensitivities. In the future this community will do much to help shape the contours of Montreal Jewry — as it did in France with French Jewry.

Kibbutzim show originality in seeking income sources

By CARL ALPERT

The initiative and originality being shown by kibbutzim in their search for new sources of income know no bounds. Last year it was reported that many of the collective settlements, burdened by heavy debts, had, in capitalistic style, opened "businesses" on their premises, ranging all the way from catering to weddings, bar mitzvahs and the like at the kibbutz, to conducting music festivals.

Some had opened their fish ponds to eager anglers; others had sold memberships in country clubs, utilizing kibbutz facilities. Those located not far from cities had found that day care centres for children could be quite lucrative.

The list continues to grow, as kibbutzim show increased resourcefulness and imagination. One of the more radical departures from traditional kibbutz activity is the inauguration of white collar services, operated by kibbutz members properly trained for the purpose.

Thus, Kibbutz Yafat has a lawyer's office, catering to clients from far and wide. An economist at Kibbutz Yavneh has a successful counselling service. Ain Harod does well with its graphic artists, and finds that while 40 percent of its clients are from other kibbutzim, the remainder are from the city. Kibbutz Gaaton runs a public relations service, and advertises itself as the only PR firm in Israel with its own cowshed.

Bet Hashitta goes even further. The literary creativity of its members has led it into an unusual field. For a suitable fee, one can have his biography written up in detail, printed, bound and published. It is even possible to order a surprise volume for someone as a unique gift for the man or woman who has everything else.

A partnership between a kibbutz and American investors will soon have Israelis eating American-style bagels. Lender's Bagel, which claims to produce about 80 percent of the frozen bagels consumed in the United States, is now setting up its plant at Mishmar Hasharon on a 50-50 basis with the kibbutz.

At Kibbutz Sdeh Yoav, down south, a painful handicap has been turned into profits. On their premises is an old well, long abandoned because its waters were too saline for either drinking or irrigation. Further exploration has revealed a thermal spring with heavy mineral content not unlike the health springs in the Dead Sea area. With a minimum investment the kibbutz has set up a "health farm," and people flock there for treatment with the waters and the mud packs. Advertising is not needed, for the fame of the place has spread by word of mouth, and they are frequently packed to capacity.

Urban families who want to take their children for a well-rounded all-day trip can go to Nir Eliyahu, where the expedition is conducted in a donkey-drawn cart, visiting various aspects of kibbutz life, including the animal corners, presence at a milking session, a puppet show, and a healthy kibbutz lunch on the lawn. The "Day at a Kibbutz" is offered at a reasonable price.

Passover should be a profitable period. Whereas thousands used to go to a kibbutz to spend the Seder with relatives there, the business managers of many collectives now make a charge per plate.

The fishermen of Israel now have numerous ponds into which to cast their lines for a fee, among them Maagan Michael, Maayan Zevi and Afek.

Even more original is the idea at Netiv HaLamed Heh to go into the cemetery business. They have been negotiating with a Reform Judaism group to open a private cemetery on a commercial basis, not linked to Orthodox rites. There have been technical problems, but the kibbutz has not given up.

"It's not such a bad idea to raise marble slabs, instead of cotton," they say.

Kibbutzim generally are not happy when their youth go to the big cities for night life, but what's wrong with bringing the night life to the kibbutz? Almost all of them have set up pubs, and more and more are beginning to welcome urban youth to come. Average attendance at a Friday night pub on a kibbutz can run as high as 300 young people.

Income comes from the sale of beer and other drinks. The pub is often located in exotic structures, suitably refurbished for the purpose. Thus, at Afek, the pub is in an old chicken coop; at Merhavia, in a historic and long disused silo; at Einat, in what used to be a refrigerator room for flowers.

Old timer kibbutz members mourn the demise of the ideological and agricultural spirit which were once the hallmark of the kibbutzim, but the younger members, who now carry the economic burden of making the collective a viable operation, insist that there has been no sacrifice in values. They retain their socialist way of life internally, they say, but adopt capitalistic methods in their necessary contacts with the outside world.

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Israel's decision

Now that Yitzhak Rabin is well and truly installed as Prime Minister of Israel, the expectations raised by his victory are very high indeed. But what is curious is that they are highest, not in Israel, but in the international media and, apparently, in Washington. The Israeli public has lived for 44 years with the vagaries of coalition politics and the tension of constant near, and too often actual, war; they are considerably more cautious about just what they can expect as a result of their turning away from the Likud and towards its alternatives at both ends of the political spectrum.

The sense of proprietorship now being displayed by those outside Israel who hope that Rabin's policies will be closer to what they would choose for Israel, particularly insofar as the peace negotiations are concerned, is both unfair and unwise. Let there be no misunderstanding: it was Israeli citizens, Jews and Arabs, who cast their ballots in such a way as to make the Labor-Meretz-Shas coalition possible — not American policy and opinion makers. It is for Yitzhak Rabin and his government — and for them alone —to evaluate and respond to the reasons why the Israeli people voted the way that they did.

Many of those reasons stem from domestic issues: the 40 percent unemployment rate among the hundreds of thousands of new olim, and the deep resentment of many Israeli Jews against the influence of the ulta-Orthodox on the education system and questions of personal status. The second issue is already threatening Rabin's coalition; the 96-year-old leader of the haredi faction, Rabbi Eliezer Schach, has vowed to force Shas to withdraw from the government if Meretz's Shulamit Aloni continues as education minister. And the absorption crisis is as much responsible for Rabin's desire to obtain the U.S. loan guarantees as his concern that the peace negotiations move forward. Rabin must also take into consideration the fact that one-fifteenth of the Israeli electorate voted for Tsomet, which is as opposed to territorial compromise as Likud, but which left the Likud government over its failure to implement electoral reform.

From the reports following the Rabin-Baker meeting, it would appear that the U.S. secretary of state has accepted Rabin's distinction between settlements in the territories that he regards as "political" (and therefore subject to a freeze) and those he deems necessary for the security of Israel — which includes Jerusalem and *all* of its surrounding suburbs. That is encouraging; for if the peace negotiations are to move off ground zero, the Arab states and the Palestinians must realize that whatever Rabin does, it will be as a result of decisions made in Jerusalem, not in Washington.

Sad development

Vaclev Havel, the man who led Czechoslovakia's "velvet" revolution against the Communist masters of that central European country, has been unable, despite his political skills, to keep his nation together.

This appears quite clear in the wake of a Slovak-led repudiation of Havel's presidential re-election bid in two series of balloting in the Czech parliament. It is considered unlikely that Havel will run again as his country teeters on the precipice of separation into Czech and Slovak entities.

The impending dissolution of what was, in 1938, the only truly democratic state in central Europe, is sending waves of anxiety over the small (8,000) Jewish community in the country because here, as in other countries riven by countervailing nationalist sentiments, Jews find themselves caught between conflicting loyalties.

Jews are especially exercised at their prospects in the projected Slovak state. Memories of Slovakia's wartime alliance with the Nazis and the puppet state which was set up there die hard because of the persecution and deportation policies against Jews practised by the then-Slovak president, Father Jozef Tiso.

While the envisaged separation of Czechoslovakia into a Czech republic and Slovakia is apparently taking place under democratic procedures, the Jewish community of 3,000 in the Slovak part is concerned about anti-Semitism because of the serious economic crisis and unemployment in the region.

The situation for that community is also complicated by the presence in Slovakia of 600,000 ethnic Hungarians who are opposed to secession. Their demands for cultural and territorial autonomy in an independent Slovakia will undoubtedly raise Slovak nationalist temperatures. If the past is prologue, Slovakia's tiny Jewish community will inevitably be caught in the crossfire.

Nationalist rivalries in Yugoslavia, Moldavia and elsewhere in the former Soviet Union have already led to insensate hatred and bloodshed. It is to be hoped that Czechoslovakia can learn from this melancholy lesson and settle its affairs without recourse to violence.

13th KNESSET INAUGURATED

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin (left) and the new speaker of the Knesset Shevach Weiss. Weiss was deputy speaker in the previous Knesset. [I.P.P.A. photo]

Letters to the Editor

Letters are welcome if they are brief, in English or French, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit and condense letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and both handwritten and typed signatures.

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WHAT IS A BAGEL?

Regarding the article in *The CJN* about the bagel. I can only admire Marcel Strigberger's tenacity in pursuing this scenario. I live downtown and often notice people who live alone and are forced to eat fast food because they live in rooms and have neither the finances nor the appliances to cook a meal. They get GSTed to death and I find it appalling.

My main reason for writing is that I believe you have approached the story of the bagel the wrong way. Forget that this is a bagel chip. It is round melba toast with a hole in the centre. I do believe a box of a package of melba toast is considered as a cracker tax free. Tell that to Mr. Dudley C. Norbert.

Suzanne Shuchat
Toronto

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JEWS CAN FIND AIDS CURE

A few weeks ago, I addressed an HIV support group at the Metropolitan Community Church in east Toronto. Inevitably, the issue of the "Jewish response to the AIDS epidemic" was raised and grudgingly, I answered that, with the exception of the admirable work currently being done by Temple Holy Blossom through its AIDS Assist, Seder for AIDS, and other support programs, the Jewish community has been embarrassingly silent in the face of the devastation caused by the virus.

Perhaps the problem lies in the fact that the organized Jewish community still sees AIDS as a disease of homosexual men and intravenous drug users, and, since "Israelites are not suspected in matters regarding homosexuality" (Gemara Kiddushin), AIDS *can't be a Jewish problem!*

Unfortunately, the community needs to start re-evaluating its position. First of all, there are Jewish homosexuals and Jewish intravenous drug users, some of whom are faced with a daily life-and-death struggle against HIV infection. There are Jewish hemophiliacs who have contracted the disease through blood transfusions. Similarly, some expectant Jewish women have been infected by transfusions during pregnancies. None of these people deserve our indifference and condemnation. Rather, we should give them respect, support, concern, assistance, and prayers.

Throughout our history, the Jewish community has had an enviable record of rising to the occasion and responding properly, ethically, morally. We have often fought hatred and persecution — and won.

Let us, therefore, hope and pray that we can rally our forces once again to find a cure and put an end to this horrible plague.

Elijah Stein
Toronto

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NO PLACEBO FOR ISRAEL

Optimism is an important ingredient in the prescription for Jewish survival. But, as in pharmacology, an overdose may be injurious, even lethal.

In the June 11 issue, *The CJN* features two editorials of the "good news" variety. The first reports of PLO leadership renouncing acts of violence against other Palestinians, a prelude to a more tolerant and democratic society. Hardly has the ink dried out on the *CJN* copy, when the newswires were humming with a story of masked Palestinians who broke into a house in the Gaza Strip, dragged out Arabs suspected of collaboration with Israel, and executed them.

The second editorial follows a line recently peddled in the U.S. media of a mellowing trend in the Iranian "reformist" regime of Rafsanjani. In a cover story entitled ISLAM — Should the world be afraid?, *TIME* magazine (June 15) presents the following short information about the Rafsanjani regime: "Some 750 government opponents, drug dealers and other criminals were put to death last year, and hundreds more whipped, stoned or had limbs cut off for various offences." This factual report was preceded by a quote from The Koran, 5:36: "The recompense of those who war against God and his Apostle, and go about committing corruption on the earth, shall be that they shall be slain, crucified or have their alternate hands and feet cut off . . ."

To be fair, both *CJN* editorials sounded a note of caution, but the overall message was that the tide of Moslem violence is turning.

This brings back memories from the dark days of Nazi occupation of Poland. While Hitler's armies were marching from victory to victory, Jews, their minds trained in the fine speculative technique of talmudic exegesis, desperately tried to read into pieces of news hopeful signs of imminent German defeat. Self-deprecating Jewish humor dubbed this phenomenon with the acronym YIVO (the first letters of Yiddischer Wisenschaftlicher Institut), in this instance to mean "Yiden willen azoj" (Jews want it to be so), or Jewish wishful thinking.

Self-deception, at the time, may have delivered the grace of a narcotic administered to a terminally ill patient. But times have changed. The living miracle of Israel, with its formidable military muscle and powers of state, opened new perspectives for Jewish survival. However, the threat of annihilation looms on the horizon, large as ever. Under the smoke screen of peace talks, Arab enemies of Israel are amassing weapons of mass destruction, at a frantic pace. Disregarding its spectacular blunder of supporting Saddam Hussein, the Bush administration continues to sleepwalk on the same path, trying to accommodate Syria, the PLO and Jordan. A resurgent Islam finds in Israel an easy focus for stirring up fanatical hatred and militancy.

On the other hand, after 44 years of incessant wars and terrorism, large segments of the Israeli population and of the Jewish community in North America succumbed to the fatigue syndrome and look forward to mirages of peace with a "reformed" Arab world, whose image is being conjured by public relations image makers in the West.

In this dichotomy of pious wishes and stark reality, Israel can afford to err only on the side of caution. The United States committed many blunders in its foreign policy, but this affected American interests, not survival. For Israel any major blunder may be the last blunder. Extreme vigilance and steadfastness must remain the mood and policy of Israel and world Jewry.

Stanley Rossby
Toronto

Opinion

Sorry the world refuses to be reasonable

By J. B. SALSBERG

I don't know about you, my esteemed readers, but I'm sick at heart by the way the world is behaving at this crucial hour of mankind's agonizing experience. It just isn't behaving!

But on the other hand, when did it behave as mankind wished it to behave?

At this moment in history it seems to have lost its balance and sways crazily from side to side. And in the process, millions of human lives, from infants in mothers' arms, to gray and carved-faced octogenarians, starve of hunger and disease as they are driven from their homes and generations-old comunities.

Oh, it's not just in distant corners of this pain-wracked world that such human tragedies take place. No, it's happening in the heart of "civilized" Europe!

Look what is happening now, while this is written and while you are reading these lines! Look at the tortured landscapes of what was once Yugoslavia, where each of the three major parts of that country are now fighting for separation or for domination. The landscape there is now a ruined monument to what was the home and cultural centre of highly civilized nationalities.

Just think of it: For centuries, national groups of peoples lived in the same neighborhoods. Their children walked and played together, for there is an affinity in some of their languages. Boys and girls, maturing youngsters, fell in love with each other; they married and their children were raised in the picturesque villages. But during the past year most of those civilized centres or human and humane co-existence have been reduced to ghastly ruins.

J.B. Salsberg

Religious, cultural, educational and administrative structures that were the pride of its citizens have been turned into ruin and rubble and its starving survivors are in desperate search for food and a safe resting place.

Nor is the former Yugoslavia the only tortured area in the world today. Scores of "little wars" are raging in Cambodia, in Mongolia, in the Middle East and the Far East and in the Islamic world, as in the Christian world.

What a great time for the modern, highly sophisticated war industries!

Once upon a time the owners of such industries were called "merchants of Death." Now they are just referred to as "big business conglomerates."

Well, enough of crying on your shoulders. There may be worse things to cry about as the great Sholem Aleichem once suggested.

Sholem Aleichem, in one of his unforgettable Tevye Der Milchiger (Tevye the Dairyman) series of stories, describes a conversation between Tevye, returning from the town where he had sold his dairy products, had purchased some household needs that his wife, Goldeh, had asked for and he saw a Jew walking alone ahead of him with a sack on his back.

Tevye stopped and asked the stranger to get on his wagon. The two exchanged all sorts of worrisome information that was of interest to them. Finally, Tevye said to the stranger: "Nu, enough of gloom, let's talk about more cheerful things. What's the latest news of the cholera epidemic in Odessa?"

Yes, let's talk about the danger of a split-up of our beloved Canada into two separate states; Quebec and the rest of the country.

Yes, this threatening undercurrent has now surfaced again as a result of the present efforts to create Canada's constitutional structure. The key challenge is to provide the necessary constitutional ingredients to meet Quebec's special wants and needs to guaranty its unique linguistic, cultural and political wants and needs.

This can only be achieved if and when the rest of Canada understands and accepts the basic fact that Quebec is not just another province, but the home of another nation with its own language (French), culture and social life. In short, that Canada is and, in fact, always was, a bi-national and bilingual state — English and French.

As I see it, the failure of English Canada to acknowledge and accept this political fact will, sooner or later, lead to the splitting and ultimate destruction of Canada as we know it and glory in.

The new constitution needs to fully and clearly acknowledge and accept these facts of life. Accept, not begrudgingly, not resentfully, but gladly and joyfully.

If Canada is to live it must aim at becoming a model of bilingual and bi-national statehood for the rest of the world.

Yes, the present constitutional debate and the present constitution-writing endeavors are occasions of historic dimensions for our country.

May those efforts be crowned with complete success. Amen.

Jews not immune to changes in society

By RABBI W, GUNTHER PLAUT

I have just had occasion to read a trenchant report which was delivered at the annual meeting of the Jewish Family and Child Service of Toronto, but the report's range is not restricted to one city. Here are some observances which deserve a wider audience than those reached by *Family Matters*, the official publication of the JF&CS.

According to Faith Popcorn, a New York futurologist, the next big trend will be "cocooning," meaning an increased interest in old-fashioned family life. After the greedy 1980's people are once again looking for satisfaction and security close to home. According to an article in *Time* magazine, "the simple life is making a comeback . . . people are embracing simpler pleasures and homier values."

Is this simply a reaction to the recession? Some believe it is, but the majority of observers think that we are here facing a long-range trend. For Jews, this is a welcome change, for in the past the family has been at the centre of our community.

Meanwhile, however, we are at a place which our great-grandparents would not have recognized, for the Canadian government in which we live has changed drastically.

Rabbi Plaut

More than eight out of 10 Canadians marry at least once, but as many as four out of ten marriages entered into today are likely to end in divorce.

While legal marriage is still the preferred life-style, the number of "cohabiting couples" has increased greatly.

Most families no longer rely on a single wage earner. Two-income families are now in a significant majority.

The female labor force has grown from one-third of the total in 1967 to almost two-thirds today.

So much for statistics. The Bible tells us that without a vision the people perish. In *Pogo* — a popular comic strip with a serious undertone — the biblical saying is updated to read: "We are surrounded by insurmountable opportunities." This, of course, is an oxymoron, but that is what our present-day culture seems to be. The opportunities are there, but they seem insurmountable.

Family agencies are caught up in the web of such contradictions, for they are called upon to normalize situations which are inherently abnormal. Take the fact that children with a lone parent are five times more likely to live in poverty than those living with two parents. But the agency can hardly be held responsible for the break-up of ties that a few generations ago were held to be sacred and which today can be changed at will.

We live in what I have often referred to as a "disposable society": we throw things away when we believe they have outlived their purpose; we disconnect old people from society when we (though not necessarily they) believe they should no longer be working; and we dispose of relationships like marriage in an often cavalier fashion.

I see family agencies as counter-cultural institutions, which try to put their fingers into the dikes of social dysfunction. They provide foster parents when natural parents cannot do the job of proper child raising. Within their limited means, they alleviate the most egregious instances of poverty; and they try to give their clients a sense of dignity and purpose.

Family agencies belong to the brick and mortar of our communities, and the lay persons and professionals who do their work deserve our acknowledgement and gratitude. They do not strive for high profile exposure, but they are there when they are needed. More than that, their planning is future-directed, and if Faith Popcorn is right their labors will pay off handsomely tomorrow.

But tomorrow has not yet come, and Jewish families still need succor and stabilization.

Nothing can escape our fabric paints

By ERICA MEYER RAUZIN

Every piece of fabric in our house is threatened. No scrap of cloth is safe. Every garment, every sheet, every laundry bag and bed linen must be cowering in fear.

The problem is, my daughter and I have been having a wonderful time with fabric paints, those squeeze tubes of plastic goo perfect for decorating denim or almost anything else that comes to hand.

Erica Meyer Rauzin

We haven't exercised much restraint since we discovered these paints. No jacket remains untrimmed. No pair of jeans is safe. We've painted a challah cover, yarmulkes, sun visors, sneakers, doll clothes, vests, napkins, pajamas, Purim costumes, denim skirts, caps, diapers, plastic crayon boxes, lunch boxes, backpacks, and more. We are dangerous. Have paint, will travel.

We once took some of our creations to a shop that specializes in fancy, hand-painted clothes. My daughter and I thought our stuff was original (it is), and funky (also true) and perhaps saleable (not so). The patient, creative woman who runs the shop just kept saying kindly, "You sure are having fun with those paints," as it slowly dawned on me that her shop's painted items were ritzy as well as glitzy, bedecked with expensive faux stones and totally lacking drips, dabs, blobs, streaks, hits, runs or errors of any kind.

"I see that your items are more, uh, polished than ours," I said meekly.

"Well, dear," she smiled, "I didn't say that."

"We'll come back," I sputtered and fizzed, "when we've tailored some things for that market." We scooped up our decorated jumpsuits, jackets and pocketbooks, and dashed out for ice cream, just to soothe our ruffled spirits before we went back to practice some more.

That was some time ago, and our current projects are much more polished. We've learned how to avoid the blobbies and how to create smooth, evenly matched strokes of plastic paint.

We even found an amenable marketplace through a neighborhood thrift shop. We pick up their old denim items, paint them and return them for sale, splitting the munificent profits with the proprietor. In our best week so far, we made seven, maybe eight, dollars, not including the cost of paint and ice cream.

Then again, making money was never the point of this venture (and it's a good thing it wasn't, unless you love failure). The chance to inflict our product on innocent bypassers is tangential to the glee we feel as my husband's handkerchiefs, the baby's jammies, Barbie's ball gowns, elementary school book covers, old purses and assorted duffle bags fall victim to our creativity and emerged bedecked with posies, rainbows, sunbursts and squiggles.

We have made a few discoveries along the way. For instance, if you are working with fabric paints, don't wear anything you don't plan to decorate. Your clothing will end up splattered, no matter how hard you try to be tidy. On the other hand, fabric paints are great stain concealers . . . show me a T-shirt with a grape juice stain and I'll show you the perfect place to paint a butterfly. Call it recycling, call it turning lemons into lemonade, call it what you please, we're having a wonderful time. Give it a try . . . just a tube of paint and, by the way, lock up the good linens.

Seeking social justice

By ZAK MUSCOVITCH

In his inaugural address to the Canadian Jewish Congress, incoming President Irving Abella made the remarkable observation that assimilation is the most worrisome problem facing Canadian Jews. This observation is remarkable as much for what it does not say as for what it says: Anti-Semitism has been supplanted as the number one Canadian Jewish tsuris.

We now need to come to terms with the new position in society for which this revising of Jewish priorities is the evidence. By virtue of our widespread economic, political and social success, the Jewish community can no longer consider itself to be on the fringes of mainstream Canada. Jews have elevated their community's standing from a poor immigrant community that was barred from many areas of society, to the most educated and affluent of all ethnic groups. This relatively new position demands that we take a leadership role in combatting the racist attitudes and discrimination against minorities that once frustrated our community.

It appears to be difficult for us to acknowledge that other minority groups, in particular visible minority groups, are presently the focus of systemic discrimination. As Jews we are accustomed to anti-Semitic behavior being our main concern. Anti-Semitism should be our main concern, but not our only concern.

Racism exists in Canada in forms that we do not always readily recognize. We don't see slavery, mandatory ghettos, or even much overt and obvious racism. Nevertheless, racism does exist in considerable quantities. A study of racial attitudes in Toronto by Dr. Frances Henry of York University discovered that sixteen percent of the population was extremely racist and a further thirty-five percent was somewhat racist.

Ironically, another obstacle that we must overcome if we are to take a strong proactive stance against racism is the social isolation that affluence creates. In both Montreal and Toronto the vast majority of Jews live in homogenous communities — more so than any other ethnic group. In addition, the move from the inner cities to the more affluent suburbs effectively sequesters the Jewish community from the concerns of less affluent minority groups. Our challenge must then be to not close doors behind us as doors open in front of us, lest we begin to treat others as we were once treated.

When we as Jews acknowledge our newfound success, why not extend a hand as a caring, sympathetic, and generous community instead of allowing our success to negate our interest in social justice? The pursuit of equality and freedom has historically been at the top of the Jewish agenda. The message in the Torah of our exodus from Egypt, and the story in the Hagaddah seem to have been lost to many Jews despite their annual recital. We have a powerful tool in our social and religious experience that can be harnessed to 'bless all of mankind.' We are a people that knows oppression, hardship, and discrimination first hand. We have experienced it not just from a single people, but from several peoples. This demonstrates to us that racism is a universal and perpetual problem that must be constantly combatted. As Jews we must therefore learn to sympathize with the struggles of other oppressed groups.

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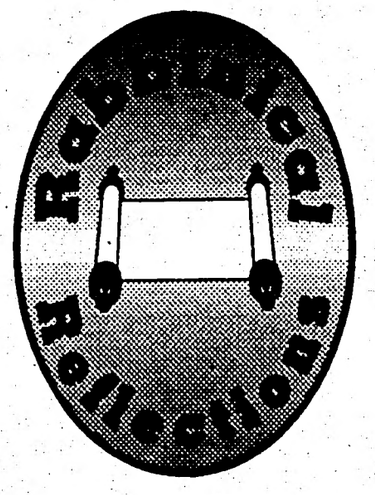

By RABBI AARON LEVINE

Our sages teach that the Second Temple was destroyed because of sinat chinam, useless hatred. They teach that Hashem found no greater vessel for Israel's blessing than peace. We also learn, "Be from the students of Aaron, loving peace and pursuing peace . . ." We recently read parshat Korach which vividly describes the end of those who engage in machloket, dispute.

Yet we read in this week's sidrah about Pinchas, a zealot, who rose up and killed a Jewish prince for desecrating Hashem's name by his public act of immorality. Was his an act of zealotry and war, or an act of peace? When one is rewarded with a sign of recognition for excellence, the sign reflects the area of excellence. A little hero is given a war medal; an outstanding writer — the Nobel prize in literature; a tennis champion — the Wimbledon cup. Pinchas was awarded the "covenant of peace," demonstrating that his act of killing, which saved thousands from death, was an act of peace.

I have always abhorred the infighting that takes place among us. We have enough enemies outside of klal Yisrael who wish to destroy us; we don't need to fight among ourselves. I have always quoted Rabbi Aryeh Levin, "Halevai they will punish me in Heaven for having had too much ahavat chinam rather than punish me for sinat chinam."

All this may be true for much of the petty fighting and intolerance among us. However, the lesson of Pinchas cannot be overlooked.

This week's sidrah also teaches that "hamachto yoser m'hahorgo" — one who causes others to sin is worse than one who kills. Why is this so? One reason is because the murdered person loses this world but not the Eternal world, but the sinner forfeits this world and the World to Come. One kills a body, a temporary act, for all physical life is temporary; one destroys both body and soul and causes destruction for generations by depriving the sinner and those influenced by the sinner, of Eternity.

But there is another reason. "No man sins unless he derives some personal benefit." When one robs, assaults, even kills, however great the sin, usually it is committed out of desperate need, passion, or revenge — a personal benefit is gained, however warped the reasoning of the criminal. When one causes others to sin, there is absolutely no gain involved. Their crime stems completely from their evil heart. I want you to sin, to rebel against God, although I have no benefit whatsoever. That's why we have no mercy, for a masis umadiach, one who causes others to sin.

How far we are from this concept can be easily demonstrated. Were we to see a known murderer walking freely down the street, surrounded by admirers who praise his violence, there would be no limit to our anger and revulsions. But how do we react when we see a known apikores, a free-thinker, who recites blasphemously about God and the Torah, who through his writings, teachings, and preachings causes thousands upon thousands of our brethren to sin? When a murderer dies, at least he can harm no more; when a scoffer dies, his words lives on after him to destroy further generations. Our reaction? Freedom of speech! Everyone is entitled to his opinion.

Some students of Rabbi Leib Chasman went to hear a great orator whose views were contrary to the Torah. The rabbi asked, "How could you listen to blasphemy?" They replied that the contents of the speech did not interest them whatsoever; they didn't allow them even to enter their ears. They only went for the pure enjoyment of listening to his magnificent style of speech, his oratory, and delivery.

Rabbi Leib angrily replied with a scathing example. You are compared to Jews who witness a fire which broke out in a shul and was burning the holy Torah scrolls. Would any one of them dare to light a cigarette from the fire to satisfy at that moment his desire to smoke?

Perhaps there are times when so-called religious fanatics are guilty of intolerance and sinat chinam. But unfortunately, too often, they are reacting as Pinchas did, to the destruction of our holy Torah, and the golden chain of Jewish tradition that has resulted in the unbelievable statistic of fifty percent or more of intermarriage in our nation; of no Shabbat and kashrut; of no mitzvah observance.

Let us also remember that positive acts of goodness are rewarded 500 times more than punishment for sinful acts. If we have seen the punishment that befalls one who causes others to sin, how great are the rewards for those who are mezakeh et harabim, those who cause others to embrace ther mitzvot of our holy Torah. May we merit to be numbered among them and speedily see the rebuilding of our holy temple in our own days, Amen!

Rabbi Aaron Levine is an educator, writer and lecturer in Toronto.

Chassidic lifestyle aired

Bonjour! Shalom airing on CBC-TV's summer documentary series *Witness*, Tuesday, July 28 at 8 p.m., examines the relations between Montreal's Chassidic Jews and the francophone natives of Outremont.

The small municipality of Outremont is surrounded by the city of Montreal. Within these confines, two very difficult cultures live side by side: a community of Chassidic Jews and their mostly French-speaking neighbors.

The Chassidim are very strict about preserving their religious traditions and have put up walls to protect them from losing their heritage. Many of the French residents respond to their neighbors with a mixture of mistrust, frustration and curiosity.

With an average of nine children per family, the Chassidic presence in Outremont is definitely growing. Faced with this transformation of their neighborhood, many of the francophone residents are feeling threatened.

Bonjour! Shalom provides an unprecedented look at the hermetic Chassidic lifestyle. In candid conversations with members of the Chassidic community, observing age-old daily rituals, religious holidays, watching children in classrooms and at play all help illustrate the integrated and self-sufficient Chassidic community.

Members of the francophone community interviewed in *Bonjour! Shalom* represent a wide range of opinion, from the Outremont woman who resents the Chassidim's presence, citing such minor annoyance as their taking up too much of the sidewalk when the men walk in groups, to other residents who express an acceptance of their neighbors "way of life."

Bonjour! Shalom is directed and written by Garry Beitel and produced by Richard Elson.

Remembering

ARNOLD HUTTER ז"ל

On August 16th, 1992, family and friends will gather at the Holy Blossom Memorial Park to pay tribute to the late Mr. Arnold Hutter at the unveiling of his tombstone. At this time, we would like to share a story from Mr. Hutter's life with members of the Jewish Community.

During World War II, Arnold Hutter was an aerial photographer in the RCAF attached to the Army Photographic Intelligence Section. Arnold covered the liberation of the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp from the air as well as on the ground. The visual images, the horror and pain he witnessed were always a part of his life.

Mr. Hutter sent some of his photos from Germany back to his parents in Canada hoping they might be used by a Jewish organization for educational purposes. A few weeks later his parents sent him the front page of the Toronto Star. Much to his surprise he saw one of his photographs along side a photo of the Nuremberg trial courtroom. His name and rank were printed under the photo of a woman behind the barbed wire at Bergen-Belsen.

In private conversations Arnold explained the heart-wrenching expression of the woman's face. She recounted to him and his fellow photographers the story of how the camp guards took away her newborn baby and threw it alive into the common graves in the camp. Arnold's camera caught one of the tears as it rolled down her left cheek.

Mr. Hutter was interned as a Prisioner of War in Belgium for over six months. He returned to Canada after the war and lived in Toronto.

A few years before he passed away, Mr. Hutter donated copies of his wartime photographs to the archives of the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Museum of Tolerance and received a certificate of gratitude.

Mr. Hutter was a great humanitarian, who did not ask for recognition in his lifetime. He is sadly missed by so many of his friends and family as a giving, caring, modest man who will never be forgotten.

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Organizations and People

Bar Giora resident Tamar Suissa joins Dorothy Saltsman, Gerry Gandbar and Clare Spring at the dedication of the moshav's new synagogue.

Cambridge shul lives on

JERUSALEM —

A new synagogue in Moshav Bar Giora, an agricultural settlement established some 40 years ago in the Judean Hills, not far from Jerusalem, will perpetuate the name of congregation B'nai Israel of Cambridge, Ontario (incorporating the former communities of Galt, Preston and Hespler).

The congregation came to an end in 1984, as the number of Jews in that community dwindled.

A moving dedication ceremony for the synagogue was held in Bar Giora in May, in the presence of members of the Cambridge Jewish communty, a group from Toronto visiting Israel, and local leaders and residents.

Construction of the Bar Giora synagogue was made possible from funds donated by the Cambridge community after their shul building was sold in 1984.

Gerry Gangbar, who lived in Cambridge for many years and now lives in Toronto, said a group of community members were involved in the selection and process of deciding where to apply their funds. They ultimately accepted a recommendation made by the United Israel Appeal of Canada.

Among the speakers at the dedication was David Spring, who recalled the beginnings of the Cambridge congregation, when his grandfather, Harry Spring, came from Russia to Canada to start a new life in a small Ontario town, and kept his Jewish faith and observance.

David's aunt, Clare Spring and Dorothy Saltzman took part in the dedication.

In 1947, a building was purchased for the shul, and in the mid-50s it was expanded and renovated. The next two decades saw an active congregation, with some 35 families, afternoon Hebrew school classes daily led by Rabbi Selig Korolnek, a "Tefillin Club" every Sunday morning, Sunday School, and various communal activities, including art shows to raise funds.

Also speaking was Stacey Spiegel, whose father made the aron kodesh at the Cambridge shul.

Speaking on behalf of Bar Giora, Aharon Sarig said the attractively designed synagogue was very significant for the small moshav, which has known hard times, but is about to enter a period of growth. Its 80 member families expect 17 new familes to join in the near future. Sarig said the moshav includes religiously observant and non-observant families, who live together in harmony.

On behalf of all moshav members, he expressed deep gratitude to the Cambridge Jewish community and invited them to keep up the connection with Bar Giora.

Also addressing the dedication were Rabbi Joseph Kelman and Rabbi Philip Scheim from Toronto who were leading a mission to Israel, among whom were Gangbar and a few other representatives.

The last word was given to Gangbar. She spoke of the symbolism of having the Cambridge community remembered forever in the Judean Hills which surround Jerusalem. And she gave special thanks to the UIA of Canada, specifically the late Walter Hess, who served as executive vice-president, and Barney Harris, whose responsibilities include working closely with smaller Ontario communities.

Exton awards announced

MONTREAL —

Each year, JNF of Canada presents the Esther and Eric Exton Education Award to those individuals who, by their devotion and efforts to the aims of JNF in the schools, universities and colleges, have contributed to the increased awareness and involvement of the students in Judaism and Zionism.

The 1992 Exton Award will be shared by Hanna Eliashiv, chairman, JNF National Education Council and teacher, Solomon Schechter Academy, Montreal; Rabbi Barry Bank, assistant director of Judaic studies, Calgary Jewish Academy, Calgary; and Dr. Uri Korin, principal, Bialik Hebrew Day School, Toronto.

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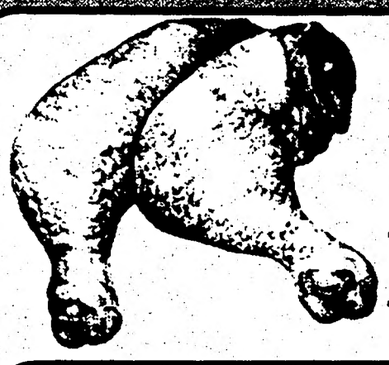

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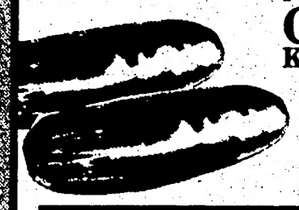

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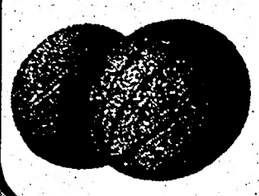

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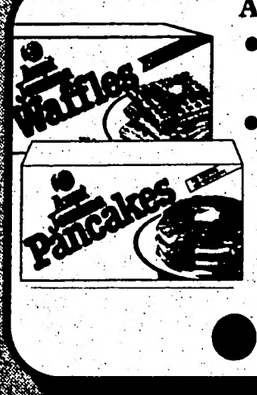

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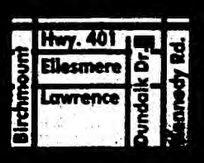

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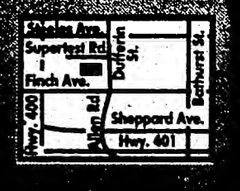

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CJC, BB meet with Ziemba

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Ontario Citizenship Minister Elaine Ziemba has met with representatives of Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai Brith Canada in the wake of a vandalism attack in which three Toronto-area synagogues were desecrated with anti-Semitic graffiti.

Ziemba said she asked for the meeting with Congress to discuss the issues of racism that were raised by the vandalism.

The minister told the Congress delegation that the anti-racism secretariat of her ministry is working with police to ensure that the case is given priority. Also discussed in the meeting were organizations that may have been responsible for the desecration, as well as future co-operation between organizations like Congress and the ministry's anti-racism secretariat to develop a strategy to deal with racism as well as discrimination in the public and private sectors.

In addition to the meeting with Ziemba, Congress representatives have also met with Metro police chief William McCormack and deputy chief Bryan Cousineau of the York Region police. (Two of the synagogues, the Pride of Israel and the Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda, are in Metro, the third, the Beth Avraham Yoseph, is in York Region.)

"We wanted to be assured that everything possible is being done to apprehend the culprits," said Gerda Frieberg, Ontario region chairman for Congress. "I dispatched a delegation to meet with [Metro] police and they came back assured that the matter is under full investigation by the Metro police intelligence unit, who are in direct communication with the chief himself."

Responding to the meeting with Ziemba, B'nai Brith executive vice-president Frank Dimant said "[the minister's] consultation with Jewish community groups shows her commitment to stamping out anti-Semitism."

"We look forward to working together with the Ministry of Citizenship," said B'nai Brith member Simon Adler, who also sits on the Ontario anti-racism advisory working group. "Our meeting undescores the message that the government of Ontario stands in solidarity with the Jewish community and will not tolerate these types of reprehensible attacks."

Meanwhile, in a separate matter, David Satok and Louis Lenkinski of Congress' community relations committee dispatched letters of concern to executives of the Latvian House on College Street, the Latvian Hall on Broadview Avenue and the Latvian National Federation in Canada after the Latvian House was used for a meeting by the white supremacist Heritage Front in which U.S. neo-Nazis Tom and John Metzger participated.

Sol Littman of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre wrote a letter of protest to the Latvian House as well, saying that renting facilities to anti-Semitic groups lends the appearance of tolerance and support for these groups.

In their letter to the Latvian House, Satok and Lenkinski note that "the appearance of being linked in any way to racist extremists casts a most unfavorable light on your organization."

Meanwhile, the Latvian National Federation in Canada (LNFC) has adopted a motion opposing the views and beliefs espoused by hate groups while "condemn[ing] any possible use of rental facilities owned by Latvian organizations in Canada by hate groups." It also urged "that the Latvian organizations in Canada owning rental facilities take reasonable steps to ensure that such facilities are not used by hate groups."

Gundars Briedis, executive assistant to the LNFC's board, said the Latvian House and Latvian Hall are operated independently of the federation, which has no control over their use. The motion is not binding on them, merely persuasive, he said.

Aija Ozols, manager of the Latvian House, told *The CJN* "we were shocked" when they learned the facilities had been rented to the Heritage Front. She said the person hiring the building told them it was for a birthday and dance party and not for a meeting of the Heritage Front.

"We don't approve of those people. . . We are very much against them," she said.

Ottawa Jewish building defaced with graffiti

OTTAWA —

A Jewish community building being used for a camp sleepover was daubed with crude anti-Semitic graffiti and a swastika as campers slept last week.

The early-morning vandalism was interrupted when a security guard posted at the side door of the Jewish Community Campus in the city's west end looked out and saw someone spray painting the hood of his car.

The guard ran out and saw two people fleeing on bicycles. Police were called and a suspect was apprehended in the area later that night.

Following questioning, the individual was released when the guard was unable to identify him.

The slogans left on the north side wall of the building included "F...ing Jews," "F...ing Hebes," as well as a swastika.

The building was being used for a sleepover by a camp operated by the Jewish Community Centre.

The vandalism came about two weeks after three Toronto synagogues were daubed with anti-Semitic epithets. No arrests have been made in that case, though Jewish groups have suggested a tie-in with the presence in Toronto at the time of U.S. white supremacists Tom and John Metzger. Both have subsequently been deported.

In Ottawa, city police say they are unaware of any ties by the suspect to white power groups.

Staff Sgt. Carl Erfle of the Ottawa police said, however, the 32-year-old suspect is known to police. "We're optimistic that we will be able to lay charges if the chemists and lab people can do the work for us," he said.

Ruth Kahane, director of community relations for the city's Jewish Community Council said "we view this as a serious offense committed by an individual. All incidents of spray-painting, whether by an individual or a white power group are indicators that society has to do its homework to prevent racist activities of all forms," she added.

Two summers ago, a Jewish cemetery in Ottawa was struck by vandalism when tombstones were overturned and graffiti painted on them. No one was arrested in connection with that incident. — P.L.

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	Judaic Art Exhibit		
	"SUPER SUNDAY"		Beth Avraham Synagogue
	Opera & Broadway Night		Elgin Theatre — 7:00 p.m.
	50th Anniversary Dinner		Adath Israel — 9:15 p.m.
	Festival of Festivals: Gala Night		Deerhurst Resort, Huntsville — 10:00 a.m.
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	Annual Dinner: Honouree - Kurt Rothchild		Constellation Hotel — 5:30 p.m.
	Annual Tea and Fashion Show		Adath Israel Synagogue — 2:00 p.m.
	Annual Meeting		Leah Posluns Theatre — 8:00 p.m.
	Holocaust Education Week Program-Opening Night		Holy Blossom Temple
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Organizations and People

Jewish newsmakers

New Police Services Board chairman

WINDSOR — Rochelle Tepperman, just four months into her rookie term on the Windsor Police Services Board, has been elected chairman.

She will now head the body which consults with the police chief to determine police priorities and objectives.

Tepperman is married to William Tepperman, a member of the national executive of the Jewish National Fund.

— Windsor Star

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Kotler heads Okanagan association

KELOWNA — Mel Kotler was elected president of the Okanagan Jewish Community Association at the June annual meeting, succeeding Bob Levin. The meeting was the first function in the association's new community centre.

First vice-president is Alvin Lander; second vice-president is Saul Sigal; treasurer is Susan Shawlee; secretary is Donna Rubadeau; in charge of communications is Barb Pullman; and Anita Nadler is member at large.

An active program is planned for the fall beginning with a Torah dedication service on Sept. 13 and High Holiday services later in the month. Dedication of the building is set for Oct. 18.

— Maurice Lucow

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Gorbachev receives citation

SEDE BOKER, Israel — Former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was recently presented with the Ben-Gurion University's Negev Peace Citation at a ceremony at the grave site of David and Paula Ben-Gurion.

Gorbachev said that his own research institute was ready to initiate research projects and exchange scientists and scientific literature with Ben-Gurion University.

The citation honored Gorbachev for "his achievements in furthering world peace. He was also given a symbolic gift by the university — an ancient clay torch from the Byzantine period, which was borne aloft in processions as a symbol of liberty.

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Adele Wiseman dies

TORONTO — Adele Wiseman, who won a Governor-General's award for her novel *The Sacrifice* died in Toronto recently as the result of complications from sarcoma.

The 64-year-old writer was born in Winnipeg to immigrant parents who had come there in the 1920s fleeing pogroms in Russia.

Wiseman was a lifelong friend of the late Margaret Laurence who lived across the street from their home in Winnipeg.

Her non-fiction work included *Old Woman at Play* celebrating her mother's hobby of dollmaking; Wiseman turned the story into a performance and travelling exhibition.

The Sacrifice, a biblical allegory about Abraham and Isaac was published in 1956. Her second novel, *Crackpot*, about Hoda, an enormously fat prostitute, set in the Jewish community of Winnnipeg, came out in 1974.

Wiseman married Dmitry Stone, an artist, in 1969 and they separated in 1988. Surviving her are a daughter, Tamara, an art student, one sister, Miriam Distler of Montreal, and two brothers, Harry and Morris, both living in Florida. Her father predeceased her in Toronto in 1978.

— Ben Rose

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Jewish Cultural Achievement Awards

NEW YORK — Elie Wiesel, Itzhak Perlman, R. B. Kitaj, Pearl Lang and Audrey Skirball-Kenis, were awarded the 1992 Jewish Cultural Achievement Awards last month in New York City. The awards, which were established in 1990 by the National Foundation for Jewish Culture, celebrate artistic contributions to American Jewish life made by artists, scholars, patrons and cultural institutions.

The author Cynthia Ozick, presented the Literary Arts Award to Elie Wiesel for his writings of moral passion.

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Borden wins award

TORONTO — Lynda Borden, a communications associate at the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, has won an honorable mention in the prestigious Simon Rockower Award for Excellence in Jewish Journalism.

Borden won in the category of investigative journalism for newspapers with a circulation over 15,000.

Her winning story was on so-called boiler-room Jewish newspapers — publications that employ questionable sales tactics, slick, aggressive ad hustlers and which more often than not put out a shabby product the public rarely sees.

Borden's story was written a year ago for the New Jersey-based *MetroWest Jewish News* and was carried by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

The awards were presented by the American Jewish Press Association (AJPA) at its recent 11th annual meeting in Miami Beach, Fla.

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Changes planned for Haifa U

HAIFA — The board of governors of the University of Haifa at a recent meeting approved a provisional multi-year physical development plan for the Mt. Carmel campus that may literally change the face of the institution, the youngest of Israel's universities. The plan attempts to complement the decision taken last year by the board to nearly double student enrolment by 1996.

The university's board also voted an updated budget for 1991/92 that for the first time surpassed NIS100 million. The expansion of the university was reflected in part by its new Law Faculty, which began functioning this past September, and by a 15 percent increase in the university's overall enrolment over last year.

The University of Haifa, the only university in the north of Israel, hopes to reach a full-time equivalent student body of 12,000 by 1996. Because of part-time students, a range of programs for special groups such as senior army and police officers, and extension studies, the actual number of students studying at Haifa will be closer to 20,000. It now has 8,000 full-time equivalent students and a total student population of some 12,000.

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Jewish arts in Moscow

NEW YORK — Proof of the rebirth of Jewish cultural expression in the former Soviet Union was shown clearly in Moscow this spring through the energy and exuberance of over 500 Jewish young people who participated in the city's Jewish Music and Arts Youth Festival "Hebraika."

The festival brought the young singers, dancers, and artists from 23 communities in each of the 15 republics of the former Soviet Union to the Russian capitol in April to participate in 10 days of performances and workshops on Jewish art and culture.

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Frozen kosher dinners at Baycrest

TORONTO — Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care is now offering frozen kosher dinners to people living in other institutions or the community.

Baycrest is offering a choice of 12 meat and 10 dairy entrees. Each "take-out" kosher meal is carefully prepared under the supervision of a Mashgiach, who is trained in the preparation of food according to Jewish dietary laws.

The price is $5.25 plus GST per meal tray. While Baycrest will not deliver the food, it will co-ordiante pick-up and delivery.

For more information or to order meals call 789-5131, ext. 2781.

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Research scientists win awards

TORONTO — Four scientists at the Rotman Research Institute of Baycrest Centre have received 100 percent grant funding from the Medical Research Council of Canada for their research into brain functions.

The three-year-old Rotman Research Institute specializes in researching the effects of aging on the brain due to the normal aging process and disorders such as stroke and Alzheimer's Disease.

The aims of this research are to discover which parts of the brain control certain abilities, what happens when these areas become damaged and, ultimately, how care and rehabilitation of elderly people can be improved.

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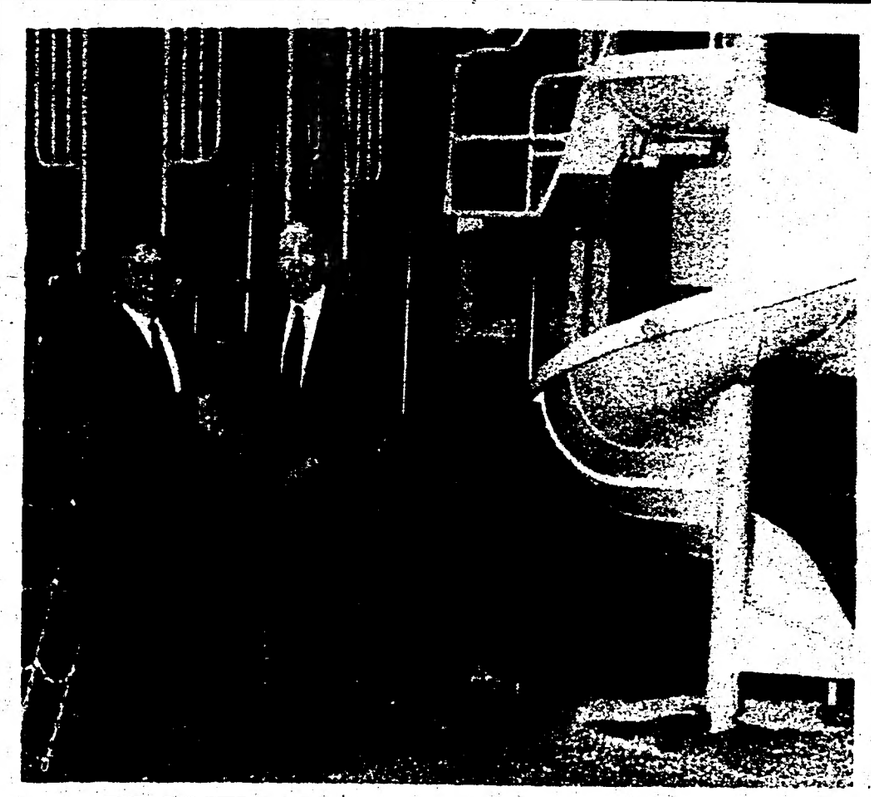
Moonie places third

TORONTO — Jim Moonie, a member of the Wagman Centre Drawing and Painting Class at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care placed third in the National Walking Campaign Poster Contest.

The top three posters will help promote The National Walking Campaign, a new project sponsored by Health and Welfare Canada that offers resources and information to promote walking as an ideal way for people over fifty to improve their health.

Moonie received his award at a reception hosted by the Governor General at Government House in Ottawa.

His poster depicts seniors walking for fitness with a maple leaf in the background.



BRONFMAN PLAYGROUND OPENS

Seen at the opening of the Edward Bronfman Family Foundation Playground is (from left) Dr. Joseph Beitchman, head of the Child and Family Studies Centre of Clarke Institute of Psychiatry, and Edward Bronfman. The playground has been designed to meet the special needs of the children of the Child and Family Studies Centre with behavioral, emotional and learning problems. [Alron photo]

WICKS' HONORED

Na'amat Canada's "Spiritual Parents of the Year," Ben and Doreen Wicks, were honored at Na'amat's recent Growing Up With Na'amat dinner. Citing parallels between the accomplishments of the Wicks in establishing vocational high schools for deprived teenagers and day care centres for orphaned preschoolers in Third World countries and similar goals and projects of Na'amat in Israel, Toronto fundraising chairman, Louise Cornblum joined Growing Up With Na'amat chairman Ruth Jacobson in presenting the twin awards. Pictured (from left) are Cornblum, Ben Wicks, Jacobson, Doreen Wicks. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Karen Shai

York students receive scholarships for Israel

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

Among the York University students who have been awarded scholarships to study in Israel this year are Karen Shai and Tal Schreier, both 19, who have been close friends since their high school days at Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT).

Shai and Schreier will be studying at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem on the Leonard Wolinsky Scholarship, which is awarded to two students annually.

Shai, who was most valued player on the CHAT baseball team and assistant editor of the school yearbook, has just completed her second year of sociology studies. She hopes to attend law school following her year in Israel.

Studying in Israel has been a longtime ambition for Shai. "More students should do it," she believes. "We get too caught up in life here. It's not a year off, because you're still studying. For Jewish students, it's your homeland, and you're broadening your horizons academically and socially." Shai is the daughter of Carmella and Joseph Shai.

Like Shai, Schreier, the daughter of Judy and Akiva Schreier, has been gearing up for a year in Israel for a long time, taking the prerequisite courses for her sociology degree in first and second year so that she could have a wider choice of electives in Israel. She also intends to go to law school.

Schreier has been an active member of York's Jewish Student Federation, and has also volunteered as a student adviser to help first-year students integrate into university life, in addition to working part-time at the Leah Posluns Theatre.

Schreier feels her years at CHAT prepared her well for university.

Shawna Lovinsky

Shawna Lovinsky, 21, was awarded the Abraham Isaac Silver scholarship, and will also be studying at the Hebrew University.

Lovinsky has just finished her third year of a combined BA/B.Ed. program. As a teacher-in-training, she likes "the idea of being able to make a difference. You put a lot in, and you get a lot back. It's hard work, but I enjoy the challenge."

Lovinsky, who is also a CHAT alumna, has gained one-on-one teaching experience as a Hebrew tutor. She is the daughter of Marlene and Kolman Lovinsky.

York University student joins Hebrew U exchange program

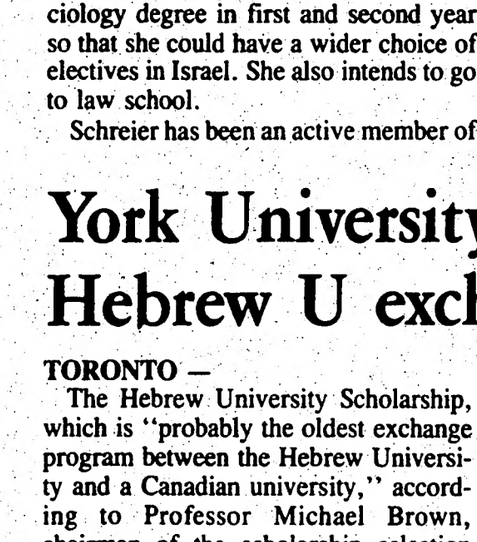
TORONTO —

The Hebrew University Scholarship, which is "probably the oldest exchange program between the Hebrew University and a Canadian university," according to Professor Michael Brown, chairman of the scholarship selection committee, was established about 15 years ago.

York University student Zehava Anbar is its most recent recipient. She will be leaving for Israel with the other scholarship students at the end of July. The scholarship is awarded annually to a York student, while a Hebrew University student receives a scholarship to study at York every other year.

Anbar, who was born in Israel, came to Canada almost 22 years ago at the age of 4 months with her parents, Simon and Yaffa Anbar.

She is in the Hebrew Teacher Training Program at York, studying towards an Honors BA and a B.Ed. with a double major in psychology and religious studies.



Zehava Anbar

Ilan Lagziel

"I feel that spending a year in Israel is essential for a career in Jewish education," she says.

Anbar's Israeli counterpart, Ilan Lagziel, 28, who completed an MA in genetics last year at the Hebrew University, spent the past year in Toronto as a graduate student in York University's Faculty of Administrative Studies.

No stranger to hard work, Lagziel held down a full-time job as deputy director of the food imports department in the Ministry of Industry and Trade in Israel, at the same time as carrying a full courseload at Hebrew U. Most of the students do that, he told *The CJN*.

He is thinking of pursuing a PhD or reapplying for a government job when he returns to Israel, but it shouldn't come as a surprise to anyone if he does both.

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What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE REMINDER

As you know, we are not publishing the issue of Aug. 6. All What's New and About People items that would ordinarily appear in that issue will be included in the July 30 column.

Also, please note that I will not be at my desk Thursday, July 23, but will return Thursday, July 30, which is the deadline for the Aug. 13 issue.

Thursday, July 23

CARP SEMINAR

A free seminar sponsored by Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP) on Getting the Most Out of Your RRIFs, Annuities, RRSPs, Tax Shelters, will be held from 2-4 p.m. at 27 Queen St. E., Suite 1304 (corner Victoria). Speaker will be retirement planner **Eric Sharp**. To reserve, call 363-0120.

Sunday, July 26

ANNUAL PICNIC

The General Wingate Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion is holding its annual picnic at 10 a.m. at G. Ross Lord Park (off Dufferin Street, opposite Highland Farms Market). Join in the fun and good comradeship! For more information, call 782-5024.

Monday, July 27

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

A Red Cross blood donor clinic will take place at the Jewish Community Centre North Y branch, 4588 Bathurst St., from 2-8:30 p.m. For information, call 974-9900.

Nathan Garnick

Jenny Eisenstein

YIDDISH ALIVE IN ISRAEL

Yiddish Alive in Israel, a musical review in Yiddish, Hebrew, English and Russian, is being presented in the Barry Zuckerman Amphitheatre, Earl Bales Park. Producer/director is **Nathan Garnick**.

The program features guest star folksinger **Jenny Eisenstein**, music by **Michael Khinkis** and his orchestra, violin soloist **Sandor Jaroka**, comedy team **Alan Farkas** and **Michael Lebovic** and chorus ensemble The Heritage Players of the Wagman Centre.

Admission is free. There will be two performances, 4 p.m. (box office opens at 3) and 7 p.m. (box office opens at 6). In case of rain, the 7 p.m. performance only will take place at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

La Leche League of North Bathurst presents Why Breastfeed Your Baby?, the first in a series of four monthly meetings. Discussion will focus on the advantages of breastfeeding and current scientific discoveries about breast milk. Meetings are open to pregnant or nursing mothers who are interested in information, help and support for breastfeeding. Babies are welcome.

The time is 8 p.m. at 55 Rosedale Heights, Thornhill. For further information, phone **Joyce** at 881-8779 or **Robin** at 886-8364 or **Karen** at 221-7002 or **Risa** at 738-8870.

Wednesday, July 29

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

The To Life Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets weekly at Kehillat Shaarei Torah, 2640 Bayview Ave., at 8 p.m. This is the only chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous in Toronto which meets in a synagogue or a Jewish organization.

For more information, contact **Rabbi Steven Cohen** at 229-2600.

Thursday, July 30

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SERIES

The Forest Hill Place Retirement Residence summer International Relations Lecture Series with **Morton Manilla** continues with Turkey and Iran — Two Models for Central Asia. The time is 2 p.m. at 645 Castlefield Ave. Admission is free but early reservations are requested. Call **Marlene White** at 785-1511.

Donway Place Retirement Residence's three-part series with **Prof. Hugh Innis** concludes with Racial Conflict. The time is 2:30 p.m. at 8 Donway E. There is no admission fee but call **Marlene White** at 445-7555 for early reservations.

And What Else Is New...

ORILLIA COTTAGE SHUL

Vacationers in the Lake Simcoe and Couchiching area who wish to attend Shabbat services can do so by coming to the Orillia Cottage Shul at 143 Creighton St., Atherley. Directions are as follows — Hwy 11 to approximately 20 miles north of Barrie, turn right on Hwy 12 which is marked "South," continue 5-6 miles until you cross the bridge separating Lake Couchiching from Lake Simcoe. The second street on the right is Creighton. The telephone number is 327-7069.

Services begin every Saturday at 10 a.m. during July and August and are conducted on an alternate basis by well-known rabbis or knowledgeable individuals such as **Prof. Arnold Ages, Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld, Rabbi Elyse Goldstein, Rabbi Palatnik** and others.

SUNDAY SERENADES

The Sunday Serenades series has returned to Mel Lastman Square, 5100 Yonge St., for its fourth season with a blend of jazz, light classical and big band music. Concert time is 7:30 p.m. The series runs to Aug. 30 and admission is free. For information, call 224-6085.

WOOL & BABY PATTERNS NEEDED

Mount Sinai Hospital volunteer **Malka McDonald** is seeking donations of wool and baby patterns for patients on the high risk maternity unit (see artice in July 9 issue, page 21).

Donations can be dropped off at the hospital gift shop and marked to the attention of Malka McDonald, 7 South.

HARDER, FASTER & PUMPED UP

Hebrew Athletics, Toronto's Jewish cycling club, is looking for a few good cyclists to form Hebrew Athletics official touring team (75-250 km). Call **Phil Galin** at 486-3304.

NORTH YORK CITY MAPS

A new, full-color guide to North York streets, parks and recreational facilities is now available from the Parks and Recreation Department.

Residents may pick up individual copies free from: Parks and Recreation Section, 3rd floor, North York City Hall, 5100 Yonge St.; Amesbury Community Recreation Centre, 1507 Lawrence Ave. W.; Northwood Community Recreation Centre, 15 Clubhouse Court; Oriole Community Resource Centre, 2975 Don Mills Rd.; North York Parks and Recreation, 5151 Yonge St.; or Banbury Community Recreation Centre, 120 Banbury Rd.

KIDSUMMER 92

Kidsummer is summer days of exciting adventure for the entire family featuring a different event at a different location every day during July through Aug. 29. It's educational, entertaining and completely free for kids. This is a chance to spend an unforgettable summer with the kids in your life. Call the Kidsummer Hotline at 363-KIDS for details.

SCIENCE THEATRE LIVE

In four plays highlighting exciting scientific concepts and key moments in science history, the Ontario Science Centre's Science Theatre Program uses drama to bring science to life. *Madame Curie, Sherlock Chromosomes, The Water Currents* and *The Alchemist's Daughter* are presented Monday through Sunday, four times daily through Sept. 7. The centre's information number is 696-3127.

LIBRARY FILMS

Wychwood Library, 1431 Bathurst St., is screening *That's Entertainment* Thursday, July 23, at 2 p.m. and *Laura* Thursday, July 30, at 6:30 p.m. For information, call 393-7683.

Forest Hill Library, 700 Eglinton Ave. W., is showing *Drums Along the Mohawk* Thursday, July 30, at 1:30 p.m. For information, call 393-7706.

TRAINING FOR IMMIGRANT WOMEN

Immigrant Women's Job Placement Centre, 546A St. Clair Ave. W., offers a Computer Aided Design and Drafting Program, 36 weeks training geared for immigrant women receiving unemployment insurance and with an engineering design and drafting background. Interested applicants can contact IWJPC at 656-8933.

SERVICE AWARD

Leukemia Research Fund Toronto president Myrna Lefko (left) presents the Bess Klotz Heart of Gold Award to Shirley Naster, in recognition of 37 years of service to the organization. The award, a gold pin with the LRF logo chained to a heart, was struck to honor the memory of a past president. It is presented from time to time to a volunteer who has exemplified the rare qualities of heart and spirit possessed by the late Mrs. Klotz. Previous recipient was Nate Goldstein.

YESHIVA U GRAD

Rabbi Judah Washer, a member of Yeshiva College's first graduating class in 1932, and fellow classmates were honored at the University's recent commencement exercises at Lincoln Centre's Avery Fisher Hall in New York City. Six of the surviving 10 members from the original class of 19 were reunited at the exercises. Rabbi Washer served as spiritual leader of Toronto's Shaarei Shomayim Congregation from 1945-53.

AWARD

Downtown Jewish Community School's principal Joan Schoenfeld recently presented an Appreciation Award to outgoing president Howard Camber in recognition of his leadership as president of the school for the past two years and his continued contributions and involvement. DJCS, located at the Bloor Y, is celebrating its 13th anniversary year. It now has a newly expanded high school program for students in Grades 8-11. For more information, call Mrs. Schoenfeld at 924-6211.

for seniors

Aluma Canadian Israeli Club, has moved to 15 Hove St. (B'nai Brith Building). Meetings are held every Monday at 7 p.m. All Israelis 55 and over are welcome. For details concerning programs and activities, call 633-6224 or 782-9432 **(C. Cohen)** or 635-5604 **(Mane Artman).**

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club general meeting takes place Sunday, June 26, at 1 p.m. at the shul, 100 Elder St. Charge is $1 members, $2 visitors. Refreshments are served. Everyone is welcome. For information, call **Bess** at 783-3206.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club is planning a really interesting and exciting Purim trip to Israel, March 1-22. Also, a cruise to the Peterborough Locks is arranged for Aug. 27 and a trip to Shaw Festival to see *Pygmalion* on Oct. 28. For information on these and other events, con-

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tact **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923. Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Laniado Hospital in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

Thursday is seniors day at the **North York Community House**, 3101 Bathurst St. There are fitness classes from 10-11 a.m. (in co-operation with North York Parks and Recreation); current event discussions from 11 a.m. to noon (in co-operation with North York Board of Education); and lectures, bingo, bridge and other games from 1-3 p.m. For information, call 784-0920.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club upcoming events include: a Saturday night dance in the clubhouse from 7-10 p.m. June 25 (members free, non-members $1); an outing to Stage West, Wednesday, July 29, to see *Beau Jest* ($30 per person, everyone welcome); barbecue party in the clubhouse Sunday, Aug. 9, at 4 p.m. (tickets now available, $5 members, $6 non-members); trip to Buffalo Sept. 8; local trips for members only ($5). For information on all trips, programs and activities, call the club office at 636-7856.

Everyone is welcome to join **Hadar**, the senior citizens club that meets at Garnet A. Williams Community Centre, 501 Clark Ave. During July and August the club will be meeting on Wednesdays only from 12:30-4:30 p.m. in Room 3. For more information, call **Viola Landman** at 886-2625.

At the **Wagman Centre**, a social afternoon is arranged on Sunday, July 26, from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the assembly room. The Tuesday evening program on July 28 features the Heritage Players from 7:30-8:30 in the assembly room. A summer outing to the Arbour Theatre to see *18 Wheels* plus a tour of Peterborough and optional buffet lunch at Rock Haven Restaurant is set for Wednesday, Aug. 29. Charge is $31 members, $34 non-members (for lunch add $11). Register with payment at Wagman Centre office. For information, call **Chyla Talesnick** at 789-5131, ext. 2274.

LZA Seniors Club reports that registration has begun for the Miami trips to the Di Lido Hotel for five, seven, nine-week and three-month stays. There are still a few seats left for these upcoming trips: to the Raleigh Hotel in the Catskills leaving July 26 and 28 for a week's stay; the Monday, Aug. 24, visit to the Thousand Islands with a three-hour cruise and entertainment; and to Stratford to see *HMS Pinafore*, Wednesday, Sept. 16. The Discussion Group meets Tuesday mornings at 10 and the Dance Group gets together Tuesday afternoons at 1. For more information on the trips, phone 630-9444.

Enjoy fun-filled day trips with **Sunshine Seniors**, 55 plus: Monday, Aug. 10, picnic in the Beaches ($10, bring your own lunch, noshes will be included); Thursday, Aug. 20, Port Dalhousie, boat cruise, historic train ride, buffet lunch; Wednesday, Aug. 26, Orillia cruise, comedy version of a live play *On Golden Pond*, tour of **Stephen Leacock's** home; Wednesday, Sept. 2, Stage West featuring a romantic comedy with all-you-can-eat buffet. All tours include surprise extras. Call **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

The Travel Club, a fun-loving group 50 plus, has arranged two days in picturesque Chautauqua, N.Y., Aug. 22-23 to see **Shirley Jones**. For more information, call **Bernice** at 633-7034 or **Edith** at 638-3652.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The 1992/93 officers are **Aaron Landau**, chairman of the board; **David Magil**, president; **Murray Betel**, honorary vice-president; **Susan Blumenstein, Randi Fine, Sid Rochwerg, Harold Segal**, vice-presidents; **Shawn Rosenzweig**, treasurer, and **Valerie Rackow**, secretary.

Energize your Sundays at the new folkdancing class with **Milly Cass** from 11a.m.-noon. Classes began July 12 and continue July 26, Aug. 2, 23, Sept. 6 and 20. There is a special introductory offer — free for the first six sessions. Call **Naomi Zeigler** at 225-2112 if you have any questions.

The Golden West Adventure Tour, for members only, Nov. 27-Dec. 11, includes Los Angeles, Disneyland, Palm Springs, Scottsdale, Sedona Oak Creek Canyon, Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, Yosemite National Park, Lake Tahoe, San Francisco, Pacific coast and much more. This tour will have an escort from the tour company and will be joining other groups who are also going on the tour. Price is $1,643 Canadian funds (double occupancy), $2,070 (single). For information, call **Barbara Zigler** at 225-2112.

On Thursday, July 30, La'Briyut Wellness Centre is presenting a lecture on STEP regarding urban safety. It is co-sponsored by the Awareness Project on Abuse of the Elderly. The time is 1:30 p.m.

The movie *Gypsy* will be screened Sunday, July 26, at 2:30 p.m. No charge for members, $1 non-members.

Also on Sunday, July 26, there's a dance with the music of the Creative Band from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Admission is $3.50 members, $4 non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon social on July 29 features a concert with **Jenny Prestman** at 1:30 p.m. Charge is $2.50 members, $3.50 non-members.

About People

GATHERING OF CANTORS

The American Society for the Advancement of Cantorial Arts (ASACA) marked the 25th anniversary of Jerusalem's reunification with an international gathering of chazzanim earlier this month, co-sponsored by the State of Israel's Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs. Two gala concerts were held, one in Jerusalem and one in Tel Aviv.

Among the 10 world-renowned cantors from the United States, Canada, Israel and Australia were Canadian cantors **Louis Danto** of Toronto and **David Bagely** and **Yaacov Motzen** of Montreal.

VOLUNTEEN WINS AWARD

Fourteen-year-old **Beverley Selesnick** has won a Community Services Award for her outstanding volunteer work at Baycrest Centre. The award is presented by the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services.

Over the last two summers, Beverley, who is a member of the Baycrest Volunteen Program, spent over 500 hours donating her services at the Jewish Home for the Aged, the hospital and Day care. She has helped out in fitness programs, outings, arts and crafts, bingo and cooking.

The Fisherville High School student has been a member of the Teen Council which helps coordinate the Summer Teen Program. During the school year she assists the Teen Outreach coordinator by promoting the Teen Program at her school and various youth groups she is involved in.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Among those who received degrees at the annual commencement of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, were two brothers simultaneously ordained as rabbis.

Ronald and **Leonard Muroff** were ordained this year and will now both go on to pulpits in the state of Georgia. Ron will be rabbi and Judaic studies co-ordinator at the Epstein School in Atlanta and Len will be a congregational rabbi 100 miles away at Shearith Israel in Columbus, Georgia.

They are the sons of **Bea and Barry Muroff**, members of Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am.

PRESIDENT REINSTATED

Brenda Kafka has been reinstated as president of the Toronto Women's Division of the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation for a second year. The group recently held a successful fashion show at the Vaughan Estate and a closing luncheon poolside at the Inn on the Park. For information on events for the coming year, call 781-3584.

Brenda Kafka

AWARD RECIPIENT

Prof. Avrum Gotlieb, staff pathologist at the Toronto Hospital, is the 1991/92 recipient of the prestigious W. T. Aikins Award for excellence in course development and co-ordination in undergraduate medical education, awarded by the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. Gotlieb's Year I Core Selective Atherosclerosis, taught at the Toronto Hospital, and his leadership as supervisor for the pathology course in Year II, were cited at the award presentation, held at the 1992 Faculty Council and Assembly meeting of the Faculty of Medicine. Gotlieb is currently the course director of pathology of diseases.

Dr. Avrum Gotlieb

Gotlieb is an active member of the board of governors of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue and co-chairman of the adult education committee. He is also a member of the international affairs committee of B'nai Brith.

NEW MEMBERS TEA

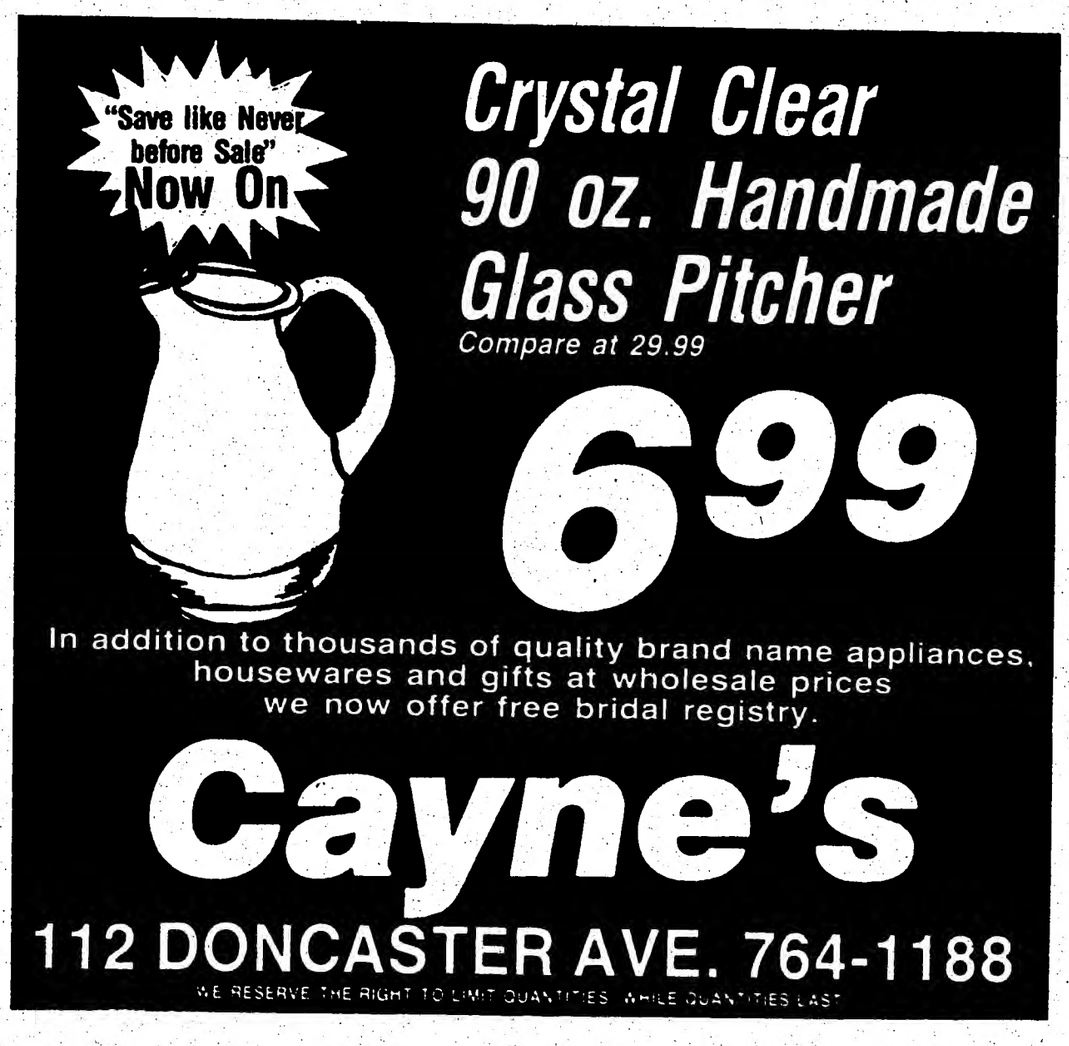
At the recent New Members Tea hosted by the New Leadership Division of State of Israel Bonds are (from left) Jordana Enig Stockhamer, co-chairman, membership committee; Jonathan Kessler, special guest speaker; Donna Chudrow, co-chairman, sales committee; Malcom Silver, co-chairman, New Leadership, and Jody Samuels Silver, co-chairman, New Leadership.

WEIZMANN LECTURE

The final Weizmann Women for Science lecture for 1992 was recently held at the home of Prof. J. Richard S. Prichard, president of the University of Toronto. Dr. Tsvee Lapidot, post-doctorate fellow, Hospital for Sick Children, Department of Genetics, was guest speaker. Seen above are (from left) Murray B. Koffler, charman emeritus; Carol Gordon, co-chairman, Weizman Women for Science; Prof. Prichard; Marvelle Koffler, national board member, and Dr. Allan Gordon, president, Toronto chapter.

GENEROUS PLEDGE

The Parents' Association of Associated Hebrew Schools has made a generous pledge towards construction of the new Thornhill campus. Pictured are (from left) Dr. Harry Krakowsky, president, Associated Hebrew Schools; Marlene Rochwerg, president, Parents' Association; Judy Scheininger, past president, Parents' Association, and Morris Kaufman, chairman, Top Gifts for Campaign.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Organizations and People

Garten leaves Toronto for LA day school job

By LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

New excitements and challenges are drawing Leo Baeck Reform Hebrew Day School director Rabbi Steven Garten to the sunny climes of Los Angeles.

The Stephen S. Wise Temple Day School, where he will shortly be assuming the position of director of the elementary school, has a student body of 1,000 children from kindergarten to Grade 6. It is one of only 18 Reform Day schools in North America, Rabbi Garten told *The CJN* on his last afternoon in his old office.

He said he is looking forward to working for an institution "committed to social action, committed to Temple and that doesn't see Jewish education as separate from synagogue life, and with talented people to work with."

Rabbi Garten was educated at Rutgers College, where he studied American history, and at Hebrew Union College, where he received rabbinic ordination and a Master's of Hebrew Letters degree. He earned a master of education degree at University of Toronto.

He served Leo Baeck as rabbi in residence from 1977 to 1980 and as director since 1987. Between times he was director of education at Holy Blossom Congregation.

He is proud of what he has accomplished at Leo Baeck, and cites especially the first rate Hebrew Judaic curriculum and general studies curiculum.

"Canadian Children's Book Week is great — we bring in authors. Every class discusses books, sees videos and the kids dress up as their favorite literary character."

The rabbi also cited the parent pals program, where parents come in to tutor children who need extra help in English, math and Hebrew.

Staffing has been stabilized, a strategic plan has been created, there is a new branch (at Holy Blossom) and Rabbi Garten feels Leo Baeck has drawn closer to the mainstream of Jewish day schools and Reform synagogues.

"We are not seen as such a radical alternative [to public school] any more," he noted.

Practicing Liberal Jews

Nevertheless, and in spite of the fact that about 50 percent of the graduating class went on to CHAT for high school, Rabbi Garten said he would have liked more Reform Jews to see day schools, and Leo Baeck in particular, as "a viable way to be a practicing Liberal Jew and a productive member of Canadian society."

Many Reform Jews, he said, still see day schools as "exclusionary."

Rabbi Garten and his wife, Torontonian social worker Linda Weinberg, will miss Toronto, he said, although, since his wife's family lives here, and because of all the friends they have made, he feels Toronto will always be a special place for them.

Their 3-year-old daughter doesn't have much to say, he says, but their son, age 8, is looking forward to the move.

"He is planning to be the best hockey player in Los Angeles."

Orphans homes plan reunion

TORONTO —

The alumni of the Montefiore and Westmount Orphans Homes of Montreal will be holding a reunion in Montreal on August 1 and 2. This marks the 50th year since the closing of the two orphan's homes.

Attending the reunion will be 78-year-old Max Matt who now lives in Connecticut and was the supervisor of the Montefiore Home in the 1930s.

Also in attendance will be Abe Bye, the son of the supervisor of the Westmount home in the '30s and early '40s. The last home closed in 1942.

Anyone wishing to contact the reunion committee should call Sylvia Rasminsky at (416) 889-9027 or Myer Gordon at (416) 221-3161.

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Marcia Levine and Jeff Perlmutar would like to thank the nearly 200 people who braved the weather and joined them at their last tennis roundrobin and dance. They are inviting you and your friends to their next 2 shindigs at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie Street (north of Steeles). Number 1, Sunday, July 26. Number 2, Saturday, August 8. Tennis starts at 7:00pm (reservations a must for tennis!!!) Dancing begins at 8:30pm. Tennis and Dance $13.00, Dance only $10.00. For more information call Marcia at 889-0813. 10891

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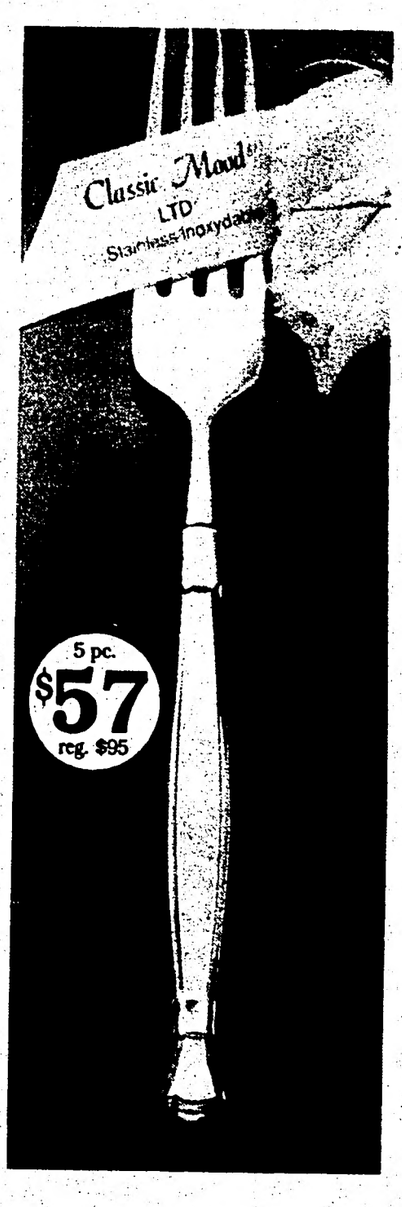

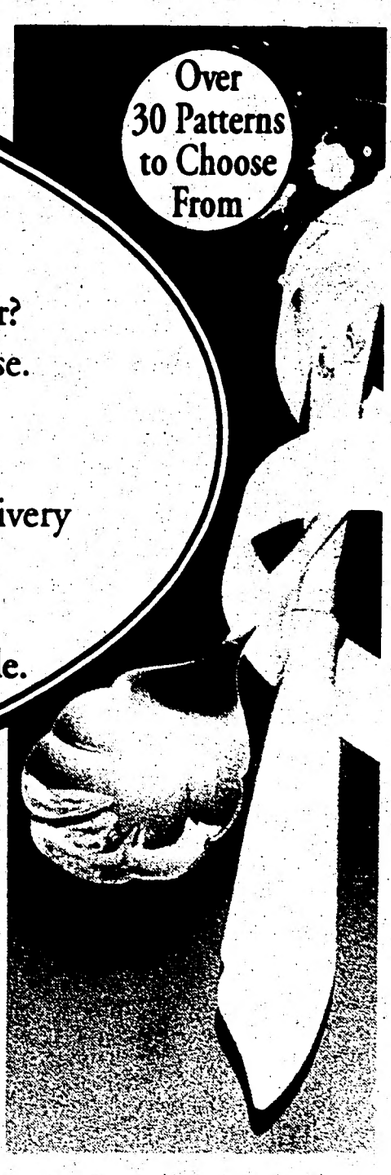

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Organizations and People

Western judges study issues related to racism

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
In what has been called "a precedent-setting course for the judiciary," 100 provincial court judges from Western Canada recently participated in a week-long seminar on racial, ethnic and cultural equity.

The course was designed, in part, to raise awareness of racism in the criminal justice system and how the system impacts on aboriginal peoples, said Karen Mock, national director of B'nai Brith's League for Human Rights and a principal advisor to the seminar.

Another goal of the program was to "sensitize judges to the racial aspects of crimes, such as hate propaganda," Mock added.

In addition to Mock, League members David Matas of Winnipeg and Mark Sandler of Toronto participated in the conference — Matas in a seminar on racism, Sandler in a progam on hate groups and racially-motivated crimes.

"I think the conference was important due to its nature," said Matas, senior counsel with the League. "It did not [focus] on the hard letter of the law, but was more of a sensitizing conference on racism."

Judge David Arnot, one of the co-ordinators of the conference, said Western provincial court judges have been studying various social topics, such as sexism and aboriginal issues, for four years. "Judges must understand the social context in which their decisions take place to ensure the highest quality of justice," he said.

The recent meeting marks the first time racism has been the focus of discussion, he said, adding that organizers began their preparation for the conference by consulting with the local community as to areas they felt judges must be made aware of.

He said Saskatoon lawyer Jim Scharfstein, a member of B'nai Brith, was instrumental in helping get the conference off on the right foot.

Sandler, senior counsel with the League, said some of the judges attending a seminar on hate groups and racially-motivated crimes were surprised at the extent of the ties between white supremacist organizations like the Ku Klux Klan, the Aryan Nations, the Nationalist Party of Canada and other, racist, individuals. "It was an eye-opener for many of them."

The education seminar was sponsored by the Saskatchewan Provincial Court Judges' Association, the College of Law of the University of Saskatchewan and the Western Judicial Education Centre (WJEC). The WJEC is a project of the Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges.

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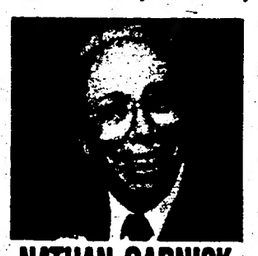

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Golani displays talents in hospital fundraiser

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —
Internationally acclaimed concert violist, Rivka Golani, recently integrated her talents as a musician and painter at the Leah Posluns Theatre at a fundraising evening for the Tel Hashomer Hospital (also known as the Chaim Sheba Medical Centre), a civilian and military hospital near Tel Aviv.

The Israeli-born multi talented performer in her mid-40s, who lived in Canada from 1974 to 1987 and now lives in London, England, captivated donors and supporters of the hospital with an emotion-filled solo concert.

Rarely does one have an opportunity to hear a viola concert and Golani's mastery of the viola as a solo instrument — spanning the sounds of a violin to a cello — provided a rare musical experience.

Also unusual about the evening were Golani's drawings created for the concert and her large colorful abstract paintings that were on sale in aid of the medical centre.

The Canadian Friends of Tel Hashomer Hospital is made up solely of dedicated volunteers with no professional staff or overhead, said Vivian Rosenberg, the president of the Canadian Friends. "Virtually every dollar collected at the concert goes directly to the purchase of a much-needed dialysis unit."

Rosenberg noted that since the founding of the Canadian Friends seven years ago, the group has sent more than $1 million of life-saving medical equipment to Tel Hashomer — incubators for new-born infants, arthroscopic equipment, hi-tech laser equipment and an endowment of a chair in nuclear medicine.

From the first notes to the final notes of Golani's concert, she is totally involved with the music. Every movement of her body and her facial features become an extension of the viola. During the concert, which included music by Christoph Williabald Gluck, Robert Schurmann, Dmitri Shostakovich, Franz Schubert and an encore by Fritz Kreisler, Golani displayed a wide spectrum of moods, all with equal competence.

The virtuoso is able to sing, laugh and cry through the resonant sounds of her viola. These mood changes were evident in Schumann's *Opus 113 Marchenbilder "Pictures From Fairyland"* where rich mellow sounds melted into lilting soft motifs. And Schubert's *Arpeggione Sonata* brought to life a spirited mix of tempos enhanced by her lively animation.

With a brief description of 20th century composer Shostakovich's life in Russia and the political environment and suffering of everyone, particularly artists, Golani explained that *Opus 147 Sonata for Viola and Piano* was the composer's last piece before his death. With superb control, the viola hauntingly interpreted quotes from other composers interwoven with Shostakovich's interpretation of the absolute end of life.

Before Golani's sprightly interpretation of Kreisler's *Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow)*, she said that as an Israeli who received all of her education in Israel, she hoped that "we can do for Israel what we should do."

"Tel Hashomer is a secret here in Toronto but, I can assure you that this is not the case in Israel," said Benjamin Noy, the consul general of the State of Israel.

He commented on the "important role" that the hospital plays as a military institution. During the Six Day War "many wounded soldiers would not be with us if it were not for the excellent care given them by the hospital's outstanding and dedicated personnel and high level of interaction between civilian and military."

Rosenberg, who was raised in Winnipeg, lived in Israel for eight years and moved back to Canada in 1985, noted that Tel Hashomer is affiliated with the Faculty of Medicine at Tel Aviv University. It is federally registered and all donations are tax receiptable. "We welcome donations (635-5646) throughout the year to assist us in the purchase of medical equipment.

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Hamilton Negev Dinner called most successful ever

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

"The most successful ever" in Hamilton's 39-year history of JNF Negev Tribute Dinners is how co-chairman Samuel Taylor described the response to the recent Negev Dinner in honor of Dr. Franklyn Shapiro.

Recession notwithstanding, the community's support for the State of Israel through the Jewish National Fund has been "overwhelming," said Taylor in his opening remarks.

It was the JNF, he later told the over 450 guests crowded into Adas Israel Synagogue's Netkin auditorium and adjoining Waxman social hall, which had made it "possible for Jews to have a place to go whenever circumstances compelled a vast immigration" such as that from the Soviet Union, Ethiopia and, more recently, Yugoslavia.

Praise for the Hamilton community also came from national president Alan Posluns, who on behalf of JNF of Canada, saluted the community for its "overwhelming record of commitment to Israel."

Hamiltonians, he continued, "have reason to be proud of what has been accomplished thanks to their generosity and dedication."

Posluns lauded the honoree as a "model citizen who has given of himself and his country with distinction, energy and dedication."

He also expressed a special "thank you" to southwestern Ontario regional Keren Kayemeth emissary Yigal Yardeni, whose three-year tour of duty ends this summer and introduced his successor, Yoram Gordon. Hamilton JNF president Marvin Rosenshein presented Yardeni and his wife Eve, with the James F. Kay medal.

Proceeds from the Hamilton Negev Dinner are going to Operation Promised Land and the building of 4,000 housing units as well as to medical facilities in Eilat.

The theme of this year's dinner was mishpocha — family — and it was indeed a family affair, warm, friendly and with its share of laughter and tears.

There was the eloquent tribute by Shapiro's son, David, who spoke on behalf of his sister Heather and her husband Terry Alexrod, and brothers Bill and Larry.

JNF honors Windsor leader

WINDSOR —

When former mayor of Windsor, John Millson, called the mayor of Eilat to ask where precisely the proceeds from the Negev Dinner would be going, the mayor wasn't in.

So where was the mayor?

In Jerusalem, lobbying for a casino.

That was how Millson discovered that there's something his home town on Lake St. Clair and the resort city on the Red Sea have in common, for Windsor, too, has been lobbying for a casino.

Millson was the honoree at the recent Jewish National Fund Negev Tribute Dinner here and he amused and delighted guests with his discovery.

He also found other similarities between the two cities.

Both, for instance, were once bustling oil harbors and in both, operations have been drastically reduced.

And both communities have had to face major lay-offs — Eilat, when the Timna copper mines closed down, and Windsor due to numerous factory shutdowns.

But while in Windsor unemployment is high, in Eilat, the mayor was happy to report, unemployment stands at zero.

Windsor Negev Dinner honoree John Millson receives a citation from Vicky Zalev, president of Windsor JNF. Also shown are (from left) Yigal Yardeni, Windsor JNF campaign chairman Carl Cohen and guest speaker Uzi Narkiss.

He was pleased, said Millson, to be able to help the Israeli city and in a warm thank you for the honor accorded him, added that the Jewish community should feel free to contact him whenever they need him.

A further link with Eilat was revealed by keynote speaker General Uzi Narkiss, who as a young officer in the Negev Brigade during the War of Independence, took part in the liberation of the Red Sea port.

It was in March, 1949, and they had no Israeli flag, recalled Narkiss. But the soldiers found a piece of white cloth, inked a large Magen David on it, and triumphantly hoisted their homemade flag.

Narkiss also gave a vivid account of his role in the Six Day War, when he was in command of the central region of Israel.

The main task today, he declared, is to protect the sovereignty of Jerusalem and make sure that it remains the undivided capital of Israel.

The dinner was chaired by the mayor of Windsor, Mike Hurst. Vicky Zalev, president of JNF Windsor delivered greetings from the Jewish National Fund of Canada.

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Feminist Jewish collection packs a real wallop

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

There are few punches pulled in the first collection of feminist Jewish writings in Canada.

Entitled simply Jewish Women, volume 35 of the Toronto-based feminist quarterly *Fireweed* is dedicated solely to the unique situation in which Jewish women find themselves.

Through prose, poetry, polemics and photography, 41 contributors plumb the depths of their innermost feelings about being Jewish, lesbian, feminist or militant (often all four) in a Jewish community lambasted as "sexist, racist, classist and homophobic."

Those who find internal criticism hard to stomach should stay away. Shot through with strong, vivid and often graphic language, this issue will doubtless offend many.

Others might find it a gust of fresh air amid the torpor of endless tribute dinners, fundraising pleas and paeans to Israel.

Assembled by a guest editorial collective, writers include Rabbi Deborah Brin, formerly of Toronto's Reconstructionist Congregation Darchei Noam, activists Lilith Finkler and Shlomit Segal, filmmaker Bonnie Sherr Klein and several members of the Jewish Women's Committee to End the Occupation of the West Bank and Gaza, a group that has won few if any popularity contests among "establishment" Jews.

The issue was launched at a recent reading held, perhaps not incidentally, on a Shabbat. Given its rebellious tone, that shouldn't surprise anyone. Neither should the volume's editorial, which makes it clear that many of the women who contributed "are coming from positions outside of 'the community,' be it Jewish or feminist. Speaking from their immigrant, Sephardic, lesbian, bisexual, working-class locations ... the contributors challenge the idea of a homogeneous Jewish community."

It's a community, they argue, that has become "increasingly monolithic and rigid, dominated by a conservative and monied elite."

Not much that's new there. Alan Dershowitz says the same thing in *Chutzpah*.

Here's the interesting part: "In many respects, the term 'Jewish community' is a misnomer, insofar as it does not represent the majority of Jews in Canada, those who do not or cannot participate in the community's institutions. Participation in many of these institutions carries a high price tag, and thereby excludes poor and working-class Jews."

Maybe that's one reason there's a lot of anger in this journal. Finkler fulminates at the Jewish nouveau riche in her poem, *To Downwardly Mobile White Girls Who Grew Up in Forest Hill*, while Naomi Klein recalls the threats and vitriol directed at her for a piece she wrote for the University of Toronto's student paper, *The Varsity*, on the relationship between military violence and violence against women in Israel and the territories.

Probably the most comprehensive entry comes from Bonnie Burstow, a self-described radical feminist therapist who examines anti-Semitism from a female perspective and the oppression and "marginalization" of Jewish women.

Copies of *Fireweed* are $5 each. Call (416) 323-9512 for details.

BONDS RECEPTION

Israel's Chief Negotiator Elyakim Rubinstein (second from right) spoke at a State of Israel Bonds reception held at the home of Henry and Julia Koschitzky (standing centre). Seen here are Allan Silber, Canada-Israel Securities vice-president; Harvey Solursh, chairman, Ontario region; Kurt Rothschild, 1992 Bonds honoree. Standing next to Rubinstein at the far right is Canada-Israel Securities president, Alex Grossman. [Arnold Machtinger photo]

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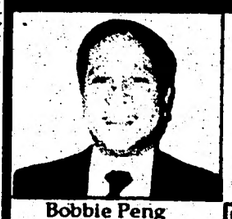

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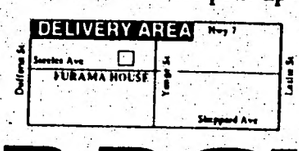

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Brecher's victory sweet in CPGA golf tourney

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

For Montreal native Terrie Brecher, the last hole in the Infiniti CPGA championship at King City, Ont. almost took on the dimensions of a golfer's nightmare from hell.

After whalloping her drive into unplayable knee-high grass, Brecher took a one stroke penalty and dropped her ball where she could hit it. And hit it she did — smack back into the high grass further down the course.

A quadruple bogey later (ouch), Brecher wound up the final round in the women's Canadian golf championship with an 80 — still two strokes better than the rest of the field over the course of the tournament, thanks to a six-stroke cushion she enjoyed going into the final hole.

The $4,500 first-place prize money and Rolex watch made the victory a sweet one, but perhaps more important for Brecher were the points she earned towards entry in the Du Maurier Classic. The classic is one of the majors on the U.S.-based LPGA tour and it's played in Canada, this year at Winnipeg's St. Charles Golf Club.

For Brecher, qualifying for the tournament, which will feature some of the world's best female golfers, is an important goal. With a first place finish at the CPGA event, and two second place finishes in earlier tournaments, Brecher is in good shape to make it into the major. It all depends on how well she does in the final two qualifying events this summer.

Terrie Brecher

Brecher, 30, is also busy trying to improve her overall game so that she can qualify for the U.S.-based LPGA tour — the one that features top women golfers, including Nancy Lopez, Dottie Mochrie and others.

Brecher has set her sights high, but not unreasonably so, since she can boast successes that demonstrate she can compete at the highest level. Two winters ago she played on the Central Florida Challenge tour, winning four events, including the Florida Women's Open. Twenty LPGA regulars participated in that event, indicating that Brecher has the talent to play with the best. She was even named the tour's player of the year.

In the meantime, back home in Canada, the busy Brecher serves as an assistant pro at the Elm Ridge Country Club, giving lessons, playing with members, "doing a little bit of everything."

She credits her success to effective coaches (including Montreal's Jack Bissegger) and to the moral support provided by her parents, Toba and Irving, the latter a professor emeritus of economics at McGill University.

It was her mother who introduced Terrie to the game of golf at the tender age of 7. She showed her how to grip the club and allowed her to smack a few balls. "She had the patience to teach me," Terrie says.

Eventually, Terrie worked her way onto the Quebec Amateur Golf Team and in 1985 was part of a four-woman team that won a golfing gold at the Maccabiah Games in Israel. Brecher captured the individual gold that year as well.

"Winning the gold was my first big thrill in golf," she recalls. "And it opened a lot of doors for me."

As a result of her top finish, she was made an honorary member of Pine Grove Golf and Country Club where she was able to practice and improve her game. That's also where she met Andrew Phillips, now the head pro at Elm Ridge, who has proven quite flexible in allowing her to pursue her dream of playing with the world's best women's golfers, Brecher says.

Golf's rich history captured in new book

TORONTO —

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The recent fall from grace in the U.S. Open of Gil "Doc" Morgan, coinciding with a display of "bulldog" tenacity by eventual winner Tom Kite, are only the most recent additions to golf's legendary history.

Golfing aficionados everywhere enjoy a good golfing tale, and author James Frank has obliged them with a tidy little approach to the great game of golf.

Titled *The Golfer's Companion*, Key Porter Books, $19.95, Frank's 120-page work draws on historic accounts of the game to hook the reader with a colorful recounting of golf's early days. Never fading or sending his reader's attention skyward, *The Golfer's Companion* describes the evolution of clubs, balls and courses and then gives readers a personalized appraisal of the writer's favorite 18 holes around the world.

The par-three 12th hole at Augusta National Golf Club, Frank points out, was described as "the greatest tournament hole in the world" by Jack Nicklaus.

Beautifully illustrated with photographs of stunningly-set holes, black and white sketches of golf's early years and photographs accompanying thumbnail sketches of the game's greatest players, this book is designed to offer fans of the game inspirational reading. (What could be more inspiring to a duffer than knowing that even Nicklaus shoots quadruple bogeys on occasion?)

Frank, editor of *GOLF Magazine*, includes his personal list of must-play courses around the world, among them Canada's Banff Springs Golf Club and others.

The author has included lists of winners of major tournaments and of lesser events, as well as charts describing golf's top money winners.

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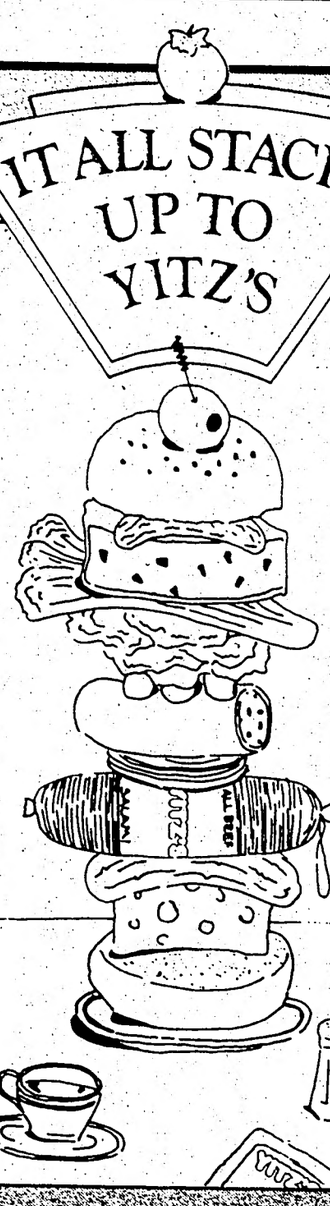
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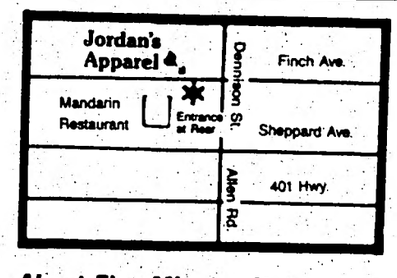

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Jackie Mason

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Mason has relayed an old style of comedy to a new generation. His act is peppered with Yiddishisms and his pungent observations often punctuated with a simple shrug.

Born Jacob Maza 60 years ago in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, Mason became an ordained rabbi and served two pulpits before answering his calling by become a social director at several Catskills resorts. From there, the stage was a natural.

Mason brings his meshugas to Toronto on July 27 at the Pantages Theatre with a show entitled "Jackie Mason: Brand New."

CJN reporter Ron Csillag spoke with Mason via telephone from New York.

CJN: *How does your new show differ from your previous one-man Broadway shows?*

Mason: It's totally different. There isn't one joke from those shows in this show. I've always felt it's unfair to tell the same old jokes people have heard before. You don't have the right to sell the same shirt twice. Why would you have the right to sell the same joke twice? You don't go to somebody's house and tell the same joke twice. The guy will tell you, "What are you bothering me for? I heard this before." So why should a professional comedian do worse than a stranger who's doing it for nothing? I would never do that. My second show on Broadway was totally different from my first one, and this is altogether different. All new material.

CJN: *Are you exploring the same themes?*

Mason: Life in general is the same theme, but it's not the same subject matter. It's about human beings — their habits, their lifestyles, the whole idea of the hypocrisy of this universe and anything to me that's a sham and a fraud, anyone who's playing games with other people's feelings and emotions. I try to straighten out the problems of the world through humor. I'm still a philosopher and a purist trying to deliver my sermons.

CJN: *You're still a rabbi at heart...*

Mason: Right. And I'm still offended by the morality of the world. I still try to attack those subjects but I know it's boring to make a speech about it so I make a joke about it. You can't teach a person a lesson with speeches but if you tell it with comedy, it becomes disarming and the humor makes you face reality. Anybody who is made fun of over the fact that he has a boat and he never uses it, that it's a waste of money, will laugh at it and enjoy it and maybe see something in it. But if I tell you directly that you're a shm--k for having a boat, you'll tell me, "Who the hell are you to call me names and what makes you such a genius?"

CJN: *Do you ever get complaints from people who take offense at your material?*

Mason: I almost never get any complaints about any material. That's what amazes me. I make fun of Jewish wives who don't cook. I make fun of men who are low enough to commit adultery. I make fun of all the shenanigans people perpetrate in this world. But I never get any complaints.

CJN: *Do you think Jewish audiences feel a need to laugh at themselves?*

Mason: I don't think it's Jews more than anyone else. I think people like to laugh at their own country. Jay Leno and Johnny Carson make fun of everything in Congress, American politicians and all the fraud, chicanery, distortion and lies in America. People like to laugh at themselves and their government.

CJN: *Are your audiences mostly Jewish?*

Mason: There are a lot, but I go into Italian areas and I'm packed there too. They're proud of the fact that they're so Jewish. Then I won the Tony Award and [audiences] became 50 percent Jewish.

CJN: *Suddenly you're a success and no one wants to know from you?*

Mason: The Jews themselves didn't go for me until the goyishe writers on Broadway told them I'm a hit. Jews were not my best friends before I became a hit on Broadway. I always received a lot of antipathy from Jews because of the Jewish complex that I'm too Jewish. Jews don't like to go anywhere that's considered very Jewish because it makes them feel that they haven't "made it." The Jew doesn't feel successful if he goes to the Catskills. That's why the Catskills are dying. It reminds him too much of the old days in the Jewish world. You never got out of the ghetto if you went to the Catskills but you get out of the ghetto if you go to Bermuda. So he'd rather go to Bermuda where there's nothing to do than go to the Catskills where there's everything to

do. But you know what he'd say about the Catskills? "I don't go there because there's nothing to do." What's there to do in Bermuda? You're sitting on a pile of sand and going nowhere and doing nothing. And you convince yourself it's an exotic vacation.

CJN: *How did this evolve in the Jewish mentality?*

Mason: It's because Jews have a severe inferiority complex, a persecution complex, that became a paranoia. You lose your identity while you tell yourself how proud you are to be Jewish. But you feel unacceptable to the gentile world unless you sound and look like a gentile. So it became a status symbol for a Jew to marry a shiksa, to never eat in a Jewish restaurant. Tell a Jewish girl, "Let's go to a Jewish restaurant." She'll stab you in the heart. A French restaurant, she feels like a romantic. She'd rather choke to death in a French restaurant eating things that will make her nauseous than enjoy a meal she really likes.

CJN: *Alan Dershowitz says Jews have to show a little more chutzpah. Do you agree with that?*

Mason: Of course! He got all his material from my act. As a matter of fact, in his book, he gives me credit for saying a lot of the same things he says. He mentions me as someone who is defiantly proud of his Jewishness.

CJN: *Were you encouraged to become a rabbi?*

Mason: I became a rabbi because my three brothers became rabbis before me, but it was also because of my tremendous respect and devotion to my father, so I became a rabbi mainly to please him. I was a rabbi for a couple of years.

CJN: *Did you enjoy it?*

Mason: Positively not. I felt hypocritical. I wasn't feeling so religious and I felt that a person who doesn't have a blanket, total commitment to what he's preaching has no right to preach. I was going through a great conflict between myself and my father and the idea of religion. On the other hand, my pride about my Jewishness, I make very evident and the respect I have for Orthodox Jews is evident. I don't perform on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur or other major Jewish holidays. It's very seldom you see a major entertainer who is as proud of Jewish principles and Jewish causes as I am. I closed my show to go to Israel during the Gulf War.

CJN: *Alan King says the older he gets, the more Jewish he becomes. Do you find that's happening with you?*

Mason: Not particularly. I was always a defiantly proud Jew. I always made an issue of how stupid and sick it is for Jews not to be proud and to hide their identity. It's always been the weakness of the Jews to lay down in front of every enemy and allow themselves to be persecuted.

CJN: *Was being Jewish helpful or hurtful when you started out in comedy?*

Mason: It was very hurtful and it was hurtful all my life. That's why I make such a great issue of how Jews are ashamed of their identity. It was hurtful in terms of progress in my career because Jews are a great percentage of the power positions in the entertainment business.

Throughout history, Jews have always been self-conscious and insecure about parading anything Jewish in front of the American public. So as soon as they heard a Jew with an accent, they ran from it. A Jewish subject was something they ran from. Every time a book was written by a Jewish author about anything in Jewish life; about a Jewish family or a Jewish story, every time they made a movie about it, all of a sudden in the movie, it became an Italian family. There was never a picture about Jewish people, starring Jews, with Jews as protagonists, in the first hundred years of picture making, with one exception in a hundred years — *The Jazz Singer*. Jews were always afraid to have anything Jewish in any movie, always embarrassed to have a Jew portrayed, either good or bad. And the Jews controlled the movie industry. Same thing on television. There was one television show in 50 years — *The Goldbergs* — that had Jewish characters. After that, never again. The same Jews who were watching Christian characters in sitcoms couldn't imagine that a Christian could enjoy a Jew. And they put black people in every sitcom. They figure white bigots can enjoy a black person. But they could never imagine a gentile being able to enjoy a Jew in a sitcom. It's so stupid, it reaches the point of idiocy. It comes from a persecution complex. If goyim did to the Jews what Jews did to the Jews, we would consider it a wave of anti-Semitism.

So they always avoided me. They would laugh at me, enjoy me, love me and then say, "Yeah, but where will it play?" And I would say to them, "Shm--k, why does your show about blacks play in the south? Does a southern bigot enjoy a black anymore than a gentile enjoys a Jew?" And they would run away with embarrassment. They would believe their own insecurity. They were ashamed of a Jew. It was their own self-hate. They didn't want to be identified with it themselves so they convinced themselves that a gentile wouldn't like it.

I would play in Las Vegas to 2,000 gentiles and tear the house down. And there was always some common Jewish yenta — and I call them names because I'm still furious about it — who would come over to me and say, "This was funny for us, but what do you say to the gentiles?" I would say, "You're the only Jew in this building. What makes you think I've got nothing to say to the gentiles? Why were they laughing?" I blew 30 years of a career because of these people who couldn't tolerate the thought of having a Jew in the limelight.

CJN: *So what turned things around for you?*

Mason: When I performed on Broadway and the critics loved me, the Jews suddenly discovered me. If it becomes a real big hit for the gentiles, then it became acceptable for the Jews. All of a sudden, they were released from the anxiety of being part of a clan that never made it. And if the gentiles love it that much, no Jew wants to miss a hit. Now, he's embarrassed to avoid it.

CJN: *Why do you think your sitcom of a few years ago [Chicken Soup] didn't catch on?*

Mason: It was the highest-rated show ever to be cancelled. It didn't catch on because it wasn't that good. I don't think I came across very well. I was very uncomfortable. My being Jewish was a very big problem for them. The Jews involved in that show didn't want it on because they didn't want a Jewish character. They felt I was too Jewish. I was relieved when it was cancelled. To me, it was torture, saying the same things over and over until you got it right.

CJN: *But don't you say the same things over and over in your stand-up show?*

Mason: Yeah, but I say it once a night. I say it to people who are laughing and applauding and it serves the purpose of every ego-maniac to hear himself being applauded and loved and appreciated. That's why people go into show business — because they're neurotic and need laughter and applause. I became a comedian because I was miserable at being a rabbi and I was unhappy with my conscience telling me that I had to practice what I preached. So that whole problem made me escape from what I was doing. I couldn't think of anything else to do so I went to be a social director in the Catskills and started to tell jokes. Before I knew it, they put me in other hotels.

CJN: *Was it a shock going from being a rabbi to a comedian?*

Mason: Not too much because I wasn't that religious in my heart. I paid lip service to Orthodoxy to please my father. But I had a devotion to the traditions and values of Judaism and I was always fascinated by the history and character and survival of the Jew, and what it all means. It has fascinated me all my life.

Musical pokes fun at Yiddish

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Can you picture a song with the title of *Oy, Nu, Feh, Aha* nearly stopping the show? Well it did on the opening night of *Chutzpah a go go* a one-hour musical poking naughty fun at the way the Yiddish language has become part of everyday speech.

As part of the *Under the Umbrella* drama festival at the air-conditioned Theatre Centre, 1032 Queen Street W., (near Ossington Avenue) *Chutzpah a go go* also runs July 24, July 29 and Aug. 1. (516-1809)

As far as *Oy, Nu, Feh, Aha* goes, the talented and irrepressible David Gale observes in the song that it is the shortest words in Yiddish which pack the biggest punch. No one, Jewish or non-Jewish, will have any trouble knowing what those four words mean after they hear Gale and fellow cast members Liza Balkan, Susan Johnston and Randy Vancourt elucidate.

Chutzpah a go go takes place in Bubkes, Saskatchewan, bubkes being the Yiddish word for nothing or chicken feed. It is a place where the local kosher butcher promises two *pupiks* in every pot and holds derma days.

Since three of the cast are from western Canada, and Gale is a graduate of the Hebrew High School in Winnipeg. it is not surprising that the sparse stage setting includes sheaves of wheat and cardboard *shtetl* houses.

Liza Balkan and David Gale star in *Chutzpah a go-go*.

A glossary of the 84 Yiddish words used in the play is distributed with the program, but the largely non-Jewish audience seemed to understand their sense without it.

Purists may object to the use of a few four-letter Yiddish words in the songs but they might as well get used to the fact that these ubiquitous terms have been embraced in the English language and will be heard more and more.

We are obviously going to hear a lot more from Gale who co-wrote the play with Vancourt and has an engaging, loose-limbed acting style. But let the leaders of the local community be warned that Gale got in some sly digs at the propensity of the Jewish middle class for musical theatre instead of Shakespeare and now that he is resident in Toronto he'll turn his attention to matters here.

Gale's experience with Jewish camps and with touring Jewish musicals obviously bore fruit in the formation of the Bubkes Jewish Community Theatre. His *Cha, Cha, Cha!* number is a highlight.

Where else will you find a play with a character named *Farfel the hamster*, a song titled *Shmaltz*, and an explanation of the *Litvak* curse?

Eye on Arts

The Skylight Theatre in Earl Bales Park is presenting a full slate of events during its summer festival including *On the Marry-Go-Wrong* until Aug. 9.

On the Marry-Go-Wrong is a typical French farce from the 19th century. Director Lewis Baumander has transplanted the play into a circus of the same time period. It has the typical plot line of a farce, mistaken identities, with a circus twist.

The Skylight production will feature circus performers and acts including trapeze high wire, clowns and performing animals, such as a horse, monkey, dog and ferret.

Yiddish Folklore: Alive in Israel is on July 27 at 4 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. This musical revue is in Hebrew, English and Russian.

On Aug. 3 at 7 p.m. the *Eva Fishman Show* featuring Moishe Turk and his orchestra returns to the North York venue.

On Aug. 10, starting at 7:30 p.m. Skylight Theatre is presenting the North York Symphony, conducted by Kerry Stratton.

The concert will include highlights from *The Phantom of the Opera*, *Les Miserables*, *Miss Saigon* and *Dances With Wolves*, as well as selections by Verdi, Bizet and a special arrangement of the trumpet show stopper, *Carnival of Venice*.

The North York Symphony, now in its 22nd year, will present 10 concerts at Leah Posluns Theatre in the 1992-93 series.

Admission to all events is free and tickets are available two hours before the performance at the theatre.

For more information call 392-3846.

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Batsheva will be appearing live this summer at the Eaglewood Earth Festival, a folk festival in Pefferlaw, Ont. The festival runs Aug. 7-9.

For more information call the festival office at 229-0397.

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Nathan Berg, a 23-year-old singer from Kelowna, B.C., is the winner of the Sylvia Gelber Foundation Award.

The award, valued at $15,000, is given annually to the most talented candidate under the age of 30 in the Arts Grant B competition for performers in classical music.

The award is administered by the Canada Council.

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"Honest Ed" Mirvish stole the show at the recent opening ceremony for the new Toronto Press Club, when, garbed as an olde tyme Town Crier, he substituted "oy vey!...oy vey!" for the traditional "Oyez...Oyez."

Mirvish helped to rescue the financially-troubled club by offering rent-free premises and services in Old Ed's restaurant.

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Joe Wiesenfeld, a Canadian based in California, has signed a contract to write the screenplay for *Spy Swapper*, a television movie based on the life of Rabbi Ronald Greenwald, who helped complete a series of "spy swaps" to achieve the release of Soviet refusenik Anatoly Scharansky.

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For the first time since the Toronto-based Canadian Opera Company (COC) was founded in 1950, the company will appear before a New York audience, *The CJN's* **Cynthia Gasner** reports.

The COC is the largest producer of opera in Canada.

Erwartung and *Bluebeard's Castle* will debut in Toronto at the O'Keefe Centre on Jan. 23, 1993 and then move on to New York on Feb. 10 for its opening at the Brooklyn Academy of Music Opera House. The announcement was made at a press conference luncheon recently at the Joey and Toby Tanenbaum Opera Castle on Front Street East.

This production is a collaborative effort between the private sector and government. AT&T is expanding its AT&T: OnStage theatre program.

The Government of Canada through the Ministry of External Affairs and the Government of Ontario through the Ontario Arts Council and the Ministry of Culture and Communications are participating in the sponsoring of this program.

Richard Bradshaw, COC's chief conductor, will conduct the double-bill production.

The performance in New York marks the premiere of 34-year-old actor, director and writer from Quebec City, Robert Lepage. This is his first venture into operatic design and direction with the COC.

The operas will be designed by Michael Levine who recently designed COC's production of *Mario and the Magician*.

Canadian baritone Victor Braun will star as Bluebeard and Jane Gilbert as Judith. *Erwartung* by Arnold Schoenberg will feature soprano Rebecca Blankenship in her first appearance with the company. Both works will be made available in English via Surtitles, the projection of capsulated translations of the opera's libretto onto a screen during the live performance.

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Arts

Griffith proves effective in new Chassidic thriller

Film

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Sidney Lumet's *A Stranger Among Us* is probably the first mainstream Hollywood film to delve into the cloistered realm of Chassidic society. And amazingly enough, he succeeds.

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *A Stranger Among Us* is neither trite, condescending or self-conscious. It could easily have failed, but this police procedural, which deftly combines the elements of suspense, humor, violence and romance, is undoubtedly one of Lumet's finest movies.

Best best known for *Network*, *The Pawnbroker* and *Serpico*, Lumet uses his considerable directorial skills to unveil a Jewish sub-culture which, even to most Jews, is somewhat alien.

Emily Eden (Melanie Griffith), a tough, sassy New York City detective, is assigned to a case involving the disappearance of a chassid with $700,000 worth of diamonds.

Eden doesn't realize what she is getting into. She has no idea that the experience will in subtle ways alter her.

As part of her investigation, she meets the venerable rebbe (Lee Richarson) and his family, son Ariel (Eric Thal) and daughter Leah (Mia Sara). Lumet uses this scene to portray the clash between secular and religious culture.

Sashaying into the rebbe's study, Eden — the picture of a sexy, liberated woman in a tight skirt — puts out her hand, but the rebbe, in keeping with Chassidic tradition, declines the handshake.

She sits down and crosses her legs, revealing more than she should in his pious presence. Embarrassed but not flustered, Leah rushes foward to cover Eden's thighs.

It is a moment of solemnity and levity, perfectly captured, and it sets the tone of *A Stranger Among Us*.

A fast learner with an insatiable curiosity, Eden realizes that she must immerse herself in their rarefied world in order to solve what, in the meantime, has developed into a fullblown murder mystery.

Donning a wig, modest clothes and sneakers, she transforms herself into a modern Orthodox woman, whom Ariel offhandedly passes off as a baal teshuva.

Eden reassesses outlook

Despite the yawning gulf that divides them, a Christian and an Orthodox Jew, Eden and Ariel feel a strange, impermissible kind of affinity for each other.

As Eden is inexorably drawn into the Chassidic lifestyle, and toward Ariel, she is forced to reassess her outlook, as well as her goals and priorities.

Propelled forward by Robert Avrech's sensitive script, *A Stranger Among Us* tries hard to be authentic — from its opening scene in a yeshiva to a joyous Shabbat dinner complete with all the appropriate touches. The background Klezmer music imparts an uplifting quality to the film, while the Yiddish subtitles add yet one more dimension of reality. Lee Richarson's Yiddish accent, however, appears contrived.

The performers acquit themselves well. Melanie Griffith, who usually comes across as a kittenish lightweight, is surprisingly — and refreshingly — good. Eric Thall is strong and ethereal. Mia Sara simply soars. Tracy Pollan plays the role of a new baal teshuvah with a troubled background in crime.

John Pankow is delightful as Levine, a Jewish detective and eligible bachelor who teams up with Eden.

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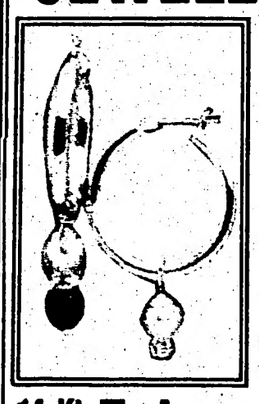
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Books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

The Dead Sea Scrolls Deception by Michael Baigent & Richard Leigh (Corgi Books, $6.99 paper)

In September, 1991, the Huntington Library in California disclosed that it had obtained a complete set of photographs of all unpublished materials concerning the Dead Sea Scrolls. The library indicated that the photographs were available to any scholar who wished to make use of them.

This disclosure was received with dismay and consternation by a group of conservative, largely Catholic, scholars in Jerusalem, who had maintained custody of the scrolls since 1953 and had severely restricted access to them. Many scholars and theologians had bitterly protested that the translation of the scrolls had preceded at a snail's pace. Almost 75 percent of the 800 Hebrew and Aramaic manuscripts, hidden for some 19 centuries, were being concealed from the world.

The Dead Sea Scrolls Deception — now published in paperbound form — maintains that the scrolls were being improperly interpreted, their value downgraded, false dates ascribed to their origin and their publication delayed because those in charge were concerned lest their radical implications threaten orthodox Christian belief. The accusation is made that the scholars had direct links to official Vatican propaganda offices.

Most scholars place the scrolls in the immediate pre-Christian era. They believe that the scrolls have added to our knowledge of the setting in which Christianity was born and how some of its basic ideas and distinctive character were formed. Moreover, they shed light on Jewish religious life and thought in Palestine during the period of the Second Temple and increase our understanding of the development of the text of the Hebrew Bible and language.

Members of the Qumram community, responsible for the scrolls, were probably Essenes, ascetic, reclusive and pacifist, divorced from the mainstream of social, religious and political life.

In opposition to these conventional views, the authors of *The Dead Sea Scrolls Deception* offer a broad new theory that places the scrolls in the time of Jesus and identify the Essenes as part of a larger revolutionary movement, seeking to wrest control of the Holy Land from the Romans and restore the Kingdom of Israel to its rightful Judaic dynasty. The roles of Jesus and Paul, as well as the origins of Christianity, undergo severe transformation in this controversial alternative interpretation.

Whatever the scrolls eventually reveal, the authors are sure that the doctrines of the Christian Church will not be affected. "The Church today, after all, is less a religious than a social, cultural, political and economic institution. Its stability and security rest on factors quite remote from the creed, the doctrine and the dogma it promulgates," they state.

This is a worthwhile book — apart from conspiracy allegations and sweeping theories about the history of ancient Palestine — because it presents in lucid form the dramatic story of the discovery of the scrolls in 1947, what they are and how they were kept from widespread study until recently.

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Travel

Shen says 'l'hitraot' to Canadian friends

By LEN BUTCHER

There is a saying that "All good things must come to an end," and so it will be August 10 when Yehuda Shen, director of Canada for the Israel Government Tourist Office, says "l'hitraot" to the many friends he has made during his four-year stay here.

To say that he has made a difference would be an understatement. The increased number of people traveling to Israel speaks for itself and is a testimonial to his hard work and dedication. But more than that, he has created an excitement about Israel among Jews and Christians that hasn't been seen before.

In my columns, I've often, only partjokingly, referred to him as Yehuda "Israel is my life" Shen. But in many ways it is. He is a man driven by a love for his country and wants the world to share in that love. Some of my favorite times were meeting Yehuda for breakfast at United Bakers where he would twist my arm to give his product more coverage. When I told him I talked about Israel every week, his answer was, "Then you should publish twice a week."

A few days ago we met again for probably our last breakfast together in Canada and a contemplative Yehuda talked about the past four years.

"I am singing the blues," he said, "but with lots of happiness. I have spent four great years in a country which I learned to love after traveling almost half a million kilometers by plane and car and visiting every Canadian city with a population of more than 25,000."

Yehuda Shen

That wasn't how he felt when he first arrived in Toronto. In fact, he wanted to leave the next day. "I thought the city was under curfew," he said, laughing. But this obsessive consumer of the performing arts soon found that here was a city that could satisfy his needs and the Royal Alexander, Roy Thomson Hall, Pantages Theatre and O'Keefe Centre soon became his second homes.

Canada also presented a great challenge, he said. "The Canadian market is limited to 26 million people living in a gigantic area. To cross this country by plane takes twice as long as to cross Israel by bus."

Shen's plan was to be on the road a lot and make presentations across the country, particularly to Christian leaders and then to their potential church groups. By doing this he managed to create a wide variety of exposure for the consumer. "I tried to create a demand for Israel and with the excellent help of *The Canadian Jewish News*, other media channels (consumer and trade magazines) and radio and television stations, I was able to do this." In fact, over the four years, Shen doubled the number of wholesalers and travel agents to handle Israel.

Shen said he always looked as a mitzvah to promote and reinforce the national carrier, El Al and that the co-operation between the El Al offices, headed by Yona Nechustan (vice-president for Canada) and the IGTO on a daily basis were both meaningful and fruitful. "However, there is still a problem connected to the air link to Israel. The problem is that European carriers that fly to Israel from Canada have limits to their capacity and on the other hand, a Canadian carrier is not yet flying to Israel (Air Canada maintains the rights to that destination)."

"There are situations at times when packages from Los Angeles to Israel are cheaper than Toronto to Israel, which is amazing when you consider the distance from LA to Israel. There is, however, plenty to be happy about, says Shen. His successes with Christian groups (Pentecostals and Roman Catholics) in the Maritimes, Ontario and Quebec, in conjunction with El Al, have paid off and he sees the Christian market right across Canada having great potential.

With the Jewish market, says Shen, "it's the same old story. There is this phenomena of Canadian Jews who prefer to open their wallets and turn their backs and that we don't like. We're offering Israel, not a fundraiser. The percentage of Canadian Jews travelling to Israel is higher than their American counterparts and for this we are grateful, but it's never enough because of the importance of tourism to Israel.

"I look at it like this. You are going to a place that enjoys great facilities, you support the Israeli economy and you have an identification with the country. What more could you want? It's a question of postponing the beautiful beaches of Fort Lauderdale and Miami for a month. Especially now that I will be back in Israel and will be able to greet everyone personally.

"I do want to thank, however, organizations like JNF, Hadassah-WIZO, Canadian Jewish Congress, B'nai Brith and others for being active with Israel. I really appreciate their support."

Shen said he also co-operated with various tour operators in many kinds of activities towards the travel agents in marketing and advertising support. These included Shalom K Tours, Isram Canada, Just Tours, Exotic Tours, Insight Tours and others that entered the market. "My policy toward both the wholesalers and the retail agents was to increase business That was the bottom line."

Shen is also pleased with the recent introduction of Sunquest Vacations to Israel. "With people like Sunquest now going to Israel we will probably see more packages to the Dead Sea, safaris and tours of the Golan Heights which will attract more people beyond the classic emotional segment of the market."

Shen still believes, however, that "in this part of the world, the ethnic and religious markets, especially the Christian pilgrimage, will always be number one. But I beleive it can be combined, now more than ever before, with those people who are just looking for a fun and interesting vacation."

Shen is also a great believer in joint efforts if it helps both parties. "For instance, our office and the Greek Tourist Board here paved the way for a series of activities, including seminars, workshops and meetings which have already paid off. Some previously Greece-only tour operators now include Israel. Even though Greece is our competitor to the Mediterranean this has been a very successful project."

Shen says he has always tried to be aggressive "with my office when it comes to public relations and promotion."

He has been fortunate in having a top-notch staff and has nothing but the highest praise for Executive Administrator Ellen Melman and Debbie Vadas, Public Relations. "I have great respect for these two women and I pay homage to them.

"Most of the positive articles in the Canadian media, to a large extent, came from our office. It's a never-ending job getting the positive message across about Israel. People talk about us all the time but they never tell the true story."

Shen said it was time to thank so many people. "I met so many Canadians, both Jewish and Christian, in all walks of life and learned a lot about the human landscape here. The people have been very, very good. The job wasn't always easy, but the people were always co-operative and went all the way in helping to get the message across. I will miss them. It's been a phenomenal experience."

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Toronto cyclist pedals his wares

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Every now and again, a cyclist with a keen eye might chance upon an old, coaster-style bicycle. You know, the kind with bulbous tires, fenders front and back, flat handlebars, only one gear, a wire carrier attached to the front handlebars — the kind of bike kids grew up with in the '50s, '60s and earlier.

But boy, times have changed. Coasters today have become virtually an endangered species while the once-rarely-seen 12-speed racer and multi-gear off-road mountain bike have now become mass marketing items.

As have all the gadgets and gizmos that go with them.

Out on Queen Street East, near the Beaches, Saul Goldman and his wife and partner Beverley, operate Velotique, a shop that caters to "active cyclists everywhere."

"[We carry] everything but the bike," says co-owner Saul. "We decided we wanted to specialize. There's a good market in this area and bike stores weren't offering many products in this field."

Their list of products would be familiar to anyone who's ever jumped on his or her bike for a jaunt around town or in the country: water bottles, pannier bags, car racks, helmets, gloves, all sorts of bells and whistles.

But Velotique goes one step better than other stores, offering the newest, most innovative products that can be found, Goldman says.

A recent addition to his inventory is a "camelbak" water-delivery system. It's a two-litre container in an insulated pack that cyclists (or hikers, for that matter) wear on their backs. It sports a tube-like straw that clips onto their shirt, giving easy access to fluids without having to break stride.

Over at the clothing section (some of which is made for Velotique by Louis Garneau), Goldman points to touring shorts with a new, synthetic padding that unlike leather chamois, are seamless and more comfortable, he says. There are also padded undergarments for people who like to cycle to work in their street clothes.

Several of the newest products — socks, jerseys and helmet lining — are made of "Coolmax," a synthetic material that takes moisture away from the body and allows it to evaporate, keeping you nice and dry even while working up a good sweat.

Still at the high-tech end of popular merchandise are bike computers that are one or two generations removed from the old speedometres that used to attach to front wheels.

The new-fangled computer displays not only your speed, but also elapsed distance, average speed, maximum speed and even distance to your destination.

An even more sophisticated tchachkeh is a heart rate monitor that attaches to the chest and which transmits data to a receiver that looks like a digital watch. It's worn on the arm or is mounted on the handlebar and tells the cyclist how fast his/her heart is pumping. It's especially helpful for those in training or for others recovering from heart disease, Goldman says.

Goldman attributes Velotique's success to its ability to carve out a specialized niche for itself in the biking market. That has enabled it to weather the recession nicely. While he won't cite dollar figures, Goldman says the company has been growing at an average annual rate of 30 percent since it was founded five years ago.

Saul Goldman has found a market niche by providing a wide assortment of bicycle accessories. (Paul Lungen photo)

As any sport matures, people who stick with it want more sophisticated accessories, he says. And what was once seen as an activity only for children has become an adult undertaking, with merchandise serving that new, more serious, market.

An active cyclist himself, Goldman used to be in the electronics manufacturing business, but eventually decided to change gears and work in an area he enjoys.

At the time, he felt bike shops were ignoring the specialized accessory end of the business. Starting small at the premises on Queen Street and expecting that just he and Beverley would run the operation, he soon found "we just couldn't contain it."

Things got to the point where they had to hire help. But Goldman says he has no plans to open another retail outlet, though mail order has become a growing part of the business, with sales across Canada.

And what does the future hold for active cyclists? Goldman believes that technology's impact will increasingly be felt and that "how-to" books describing repair work as well as others that set out training techniques will become more and more popular.

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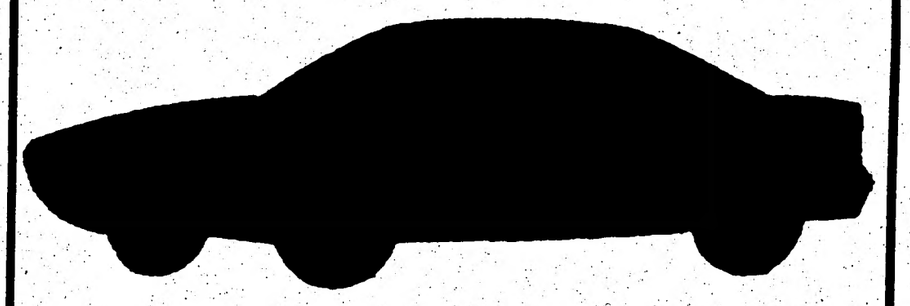
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$495,000 PRIME ANNEX VICTORIAN! A triplex, reno. potent incl. $50K, 3 apt. High ceilings, fireplaces. Please call E. Cohen/D. Fulgosi 488-4488.

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BATH./FINCH "SAVOY" New price $349,000. 21st floor, corner unit, fab. view. Huge liv. rm., sep. din. rm., 3 baths, grand balc. Please call G. Kerbel 488-4488.

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WARREN RD. — $2,590,000
State-of-the-art residence, boasts 5,500 sf. of superb living space. Grand rooms. Award winning grounds (75' x 173'). *S. Sugar-Green.

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ALEXANDRA WOOD — $2,100,000
Spectacular Tudor on ravine lot. 5 BR. & 3 baths on 2nd. incl. dream master, fam. rm. & library, nanny's rm. Pool. **Harold Hillman.

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STRATHEARN RD. — $1,950,000
Estate property. Over 5,000 sq. ft. on 350' deep lot. Modern addition w/traditional elegance. Breathtaking in every way. *Morris Simon.

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LOWER VILLAGE — NOW $1,595,000
Grand Tudor with attention to detail. Enjoy indoor pool area all year round. Exceptional kitchen, family rm. & den. *Jack Solomon.

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CHIEFTAIN/FIFESHIRE — $1,290,000
Stately Georgain residence set on magnificent grounds. Totally renovated. 5-6 BR., family rm., fin. l-level. Eleanor Stanton.

OTHER FINE HOMES

COLDSTREAM/MONA — NOW $849,000
Park-like setting. Splendid 5 BR., master ens., updated kitchen, separate guest suite, sculptured garden. CAC. *Arthur Caplan.

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FOREST HILL — NOW $675,000
Outstanding renovation. 4 BR., 4 baths, eat-in kitchen, mn. flr. fam. rm. & den, fin. l-level, w/o to pool. CAC. Linda Rose.

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UPPER VILLAGE — $589,000
Elegant centre hall, 3 BR. (m[SOLD]essing area), 4 baths, mb. flr. fam. rm. & pwdr. rm., [SOLD] kitchen. Alarm. *Betty Cohen.

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JUST REMOVED — NOW $729,000
Spectacular Upper Village. Grand in every respect. 4 BR., reno. kitchen & fam. rm., master ens., nanny's quarters + w/o. **Gary Mitchell.

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FOREST RIDGE — $519,000
Gorgeous renovation. 3-4 b[SOLD]aster ensuite w/Jacuzzi + other baths, main floor fam[SOLD]m. & den + walk-out. *Eleanor Stanton.

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ELM RIDGE DR. — $469,000
Super 3 bdrm. home, update[SOLD], main floor family room & powder room, nanny's room, [SOLD]-out to deck. Central air. *Jerry Kerbel.

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EGLINTON/SPADINA — $465,000
Architects' home. Bright 3 BR. townhome, 4 baths, family rm. + w/o, skylight, sauna. Pvt. garden. CAC. *Marlene Federman.

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ALLENBY SCHOOL — NOW $459,000
Sunny new home built in 1987. 3 BR., 4 baths, White kitchen, fam. rm. + w/o deck, nanny's rm. Skylights. West exposure. *Gayle Mitchell.

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"THE BEST OF BROADWAY"
$179,900. Yonge/Eglinton. [SOLD] suite. Thousands in upgrades. 24 hr. security. P[SOLD]ow. *Robert Kerzner/*Stephen Caffrey.

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CEDARVALE — JUST REDUCED!
NOW $539,000. Dramatic reno. 4 BR., master ens., greenhouse brkfst. rm. o/l gorgeous garden, mn. fl. fam. rm. + w/o deck. *Edie Winberg.

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CEDARVALE — $229,000
$299,000. Lovely 2 BR. bungal[SOLD]uiet street. New bath, eat-in kitchen, sep. entry to l-le[SOLD]k to subway. *Edith Weiss.

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GLENCEDAR PUBLIC SCHOOL — $499,000
Centre hall, 4+ BR., 4 baths, mn. flr. den, l-level nanny's rm., rec. rm. + office. Private garden. Dble. garage. **Don Wagman.

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REDUCED BY $50,000
Markdale/Strathearn. NOW $635,000. Splendid 4 BR., breathtaking kitchen/fam. rm., nanny's rm. CAC. Pool. *E. Stanton.

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GLENGROVE AVE. — $599,000
Custom home. Approx. 3,800 sf. of luxury. 5 BR., master w/whirlpool, huge kitchen, family rm. & library on main. **Harold Hillman.

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AVENUE RD/LAWRENCE — NOW $350,000
Desirable location. Old world charm w/modern conveniences. 3 fine BR., updated bath. CAC. Pvt. drive. Deep lot. *Marlene Federman.

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YONGE/SUMMERHILL — $399,000
Architectural reno. 3-stry. Spa[SOLD].. + 3rd. flr. master w/ensuite + w/o deck. Central air. [SOLD]alk to Yorkville. *Edith Weiss.

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BAYVIEW/JOHN
$435,000. Executive 4 bdrm. h[SOLD]y room + library on main floor, fabulous finished lower [SOLD]. Central air. *Eleanor Stanton.

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DON MILLS/STEELES
$358,000. Wycliffe built. 4+ BR., master ens., mn. flr. fam. rm., pwdr. & lndry. rms. CAC. Convenient to schools & TTC. *Heather Sherman.

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FINCH/LESLIE — $348,000
Excellent value! Super family home. 2-stry., 4 BR., 3 baths, mn. flr. fam. rm. + w/o deck. Close to schools & TTC. *Heather Sherman.

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BATHURST/STEELES — $389,000
Fabulous 5 BR., master ens., mn. flr. fam. & lndry. rm., large kitchen with w/o to yard. CAC. Walk to synagogues. *Barbara Kaplan.

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RIDGEGATE AREA — $223,900
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ATTENTION FIRST TIME BUYERS!! $239,000.00 3 Bedrm, Finished Basement, MUST SEE!! *B. Westbrook

DETACHED, 2-STOREY BRICK HOME, PRICED TO SELL 3 Bedrm, Finished Basement, North York. *B. Westbrook

NEW LISTING! MUST SERE, PENTHOUSE UNIT!! Corner Unit, Reduced, Bring all offers. *B. Westbrook

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South East corner of Bathurst & Steeles

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REDUCED — LARGE 3 BDRMS. LUXURY
$149,900. Bathurst/Steeles, fabulous condo, CAC, 2 bths., 2 pkg., parquet flr. under broadloom, lg. balc., appls., +++, must sell! NAT STARK* 665-5775.

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NEW LISTING! BAYVIEW/YORK MILLS
Superb contemp. ranch bung. on 175x290' lot. Quality++. Ann Kamin/Anna Pollock 226-1987.

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ALEXANDRA WOOD BEST VALUE 6 BDRM
3 Storey updated, private walled pool sizd garden. Good bsmt. Lovely! Sharon Flancman 488-2875.

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ARMOUR HEIGHTS — 1ST AD — RARE FIND!
Luxury, highest quality reno, mag. ravine setting. Must see. $789,000. Patti Pollock 226-1987.

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LOWER VILLAGE — RENOVATED $699,000.00
A Gem! Exquisite, new baths, new kit., hdwd flrs, 4 bdrm. Handsome Tudor. Janie Lerner 226-1987.

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UPPER VILLAGE — REDUCED TO SELL FAST
Only $649,000 for this outstanding 4 bdrm, 4 bath, in best location. Patti Pollock 226-1987.

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PRICED TO SELL! BATHURST/GLENCAIRN
Reduced! Stunning reno. this one has it all! Seeing is believing! $599,900. R. Sitzer 226-1987.

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SANDRINGHAM DR. — A RARE FIND!
5 bdrm, 5 bath, 5 car garage on magnificent 90x180' lot. $549,000. Patti Pollock 226-1987.

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NEW LISTING ST. CLEMENTS
Fab. 3 bdrm, totally renovated home, move-in and enjoy. Anna Pollock/Ann Kamin 226-1987.

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ARMOUR HEIGHTS — SEARCH NO MORE!!
Incred. 4 bdrm, fab. mstr ens., mn flr. fam. rm, 50 x 197' lot. $459K. Patti Pollock 226-1987.

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OUTSTANDING VALUE IN CEDARVALE!
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DESIGNER BUNG + $50,000 ADDITION
Great "Manor," Move-in dream home, huge mn flr fam. rm, fin. bsmt. Only $299,000. Dale Noble/Les Levine 226-1987.

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BATHURST/YORK[SOLD]NS $234,900
Immaculate 1½ str, mn flr [SOLD]m. + den. Huge kit. Patti Pollock 226-1987.

NORTH PROPERTIES

ST. ANDREWS $699,000
Reno 3 bdrm + fam. rm. on mn. flr, designer deck + hot tub. 60x150'. Janie Lerner/Sharon Bobkin 226-1987.

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POWER OF SALE! BAYVIEW/STEELES
$579K, 5 bdrms, w/o bsmt, approx 4,000 sq. ft., sauna, triple garage, ravine. Mary Warsh 226-1987.

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LESLIE/SHEPPARD — CUSTOM $489,000
Fab. 3,100 sq. ft. 4 bdrm, panelled fam. rm., floating staircase, nanny's rm. Janie Lerner 226-1987.

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BAYVIEW/CLARK $289,900
4 bdrm, nanny's ste, frpl, hdwd. flrs., great deck, walk to park, school and mall. Mary Warsh 226-1987.

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BAYVIEW/MAJOR MACKENZIE VALUE
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CONDOMINIUMS

FOREST HILL ELEGANT 2 BDRM
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Custom 5 bdrm., 3,200 sq. ft., lg. rms. Paula Bernstein, 731-7111.

BATHURST-DREWRY — CUSTOM BUILT 4 BDRM
Approx. 3,700 sq. ft., bsmnt. apt., extras. $539,900. Lucy Melamud, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — NEAT & PETITE
3 bdrm., new kitch., fin. bsmnt., $234,900. Tova Fischtein, 731-7111.

SPRING FARM — JUST LISTED! $243,900
3 bdrm., mn. flr. fam., premium lot, ted Waxman, 731-7111.

SPRING FARM — EXECUTIVE TOWNHOME LUXURY
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BATHURST-CLARK — 4 BDRM. BARGAIN — $279,900
Mn. flr. fam., laundry, fin. bsmnt., dbl. gar., Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — OUTSTANDING BUY
3 bd., 2 storey semi, fin. bsmnt. $219,900. Evelyn Pollock, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — $224,900
Updated 3 bdrm., semi bung. +2 sep. bsmnt. apts. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BAYVIEW/WILLOWBROOK — SUMMER FUN
Inground pool, 4 bdrms., satellite dish, cabana, $295,000. David Weiner, 731-7111.

BATHURST-SHEPPARD — RENOVATED BUNGALOW
Reduced! 3 bdrm., bsmnt. apt., $249,995. Fran Kieselstein, 731-7111.

DON MILLS-STEELES — 1ST TIMNE BUYERS! $212,000
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$229,000. Detached 2-bedroom bungalow, renovated. Move in condition! Try an offer. Bev Burstein 449-2020

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$309,000. Super upgrades and built-ins. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. 1,711 sq. ft. 24-hour security! Mildred Cappe 324-3077

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UPPER VILLAGE/ALLENBY
$419,000. Sunny 2 sty. 3 Br. Walk-out bsmt. to great lot 40 x 126 CAC Att. gar.

BATHURST/CLARK
Promenade 3 - Spacious 2 br., 2 full bath. 1,427 sq. ft. S.E. view, all appliances.

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BATHURST/WESTMOUNT
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BATHURST-LAWRENCE
$395,000. Gracious centre hall; large living room, formal dining room. Spacious 4 bedrooms, delightful garden — walking distance to synagogues & TTC. L. Tosic; 481-3443.

BATHURST-DREWRY $249,900 DO NOT MISS!!
3 Bdrm bungalow. Hardwoods. New windows. Central air. Finished bsmt. Eat in kit. Lot size 51x186 ft. Garage. Becky Wener 494-6888.

ATTN! ATTN! BATHURST-STEELES
$239,900.00. Approx. 1,900 sq. ft. 3 bdrm, fam. rm. Huge white kit. W/o to fab. landscape. Over-sized master+ens. Bsmt equal size. Nanny's rm+bath+office. A must to see' A must sell Becky Wener 494-6888.

FINCH-WILMINGTON
Unique custom home, Euro design. 4 bdrm, greenhouse kit. W/o to patio. Fam. rm. 2 fireplaces. Huge liv/din. rm, w/o to garden. Built-ins thru-out. Fin. bsmt. Art nooks thru-out. Too many upgrades to mention. Becky Wener 494-6888.

BATHURST/FINCH
$184,900. Best price in this townhome complex. Super clean 3 bdrm, eat-in kitchen, walkout finished basement, central air, 4 appls., balcony, garage. Steps to TTC/shops/schools. Easy to show. Joanne Michitsch 222-9707.

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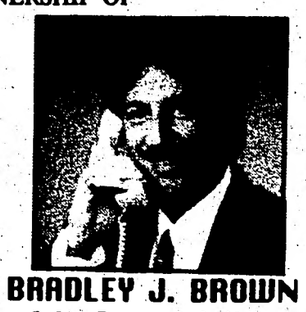

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Beautiful 4 bdrm, 2 storey home 60 x 135 Ft. lot Bsmt. Apt. very unique in style with loads of extras. **661-8022 J. FLORANS**

JUST REDUCED
Great price . . . Lrge. backsplit totally updated in Bathurst/Steeles area. Lrge. lot close to schools, shopping and Shuls. Motivated Vendor **661-8022 IAN S. FELDMAN**

BATHURST/LAWRENCE
4 bdrm on 50 Ft. lot only $239,000. Lots of House for low price! Sep. Entr. to bsmt. apt. **787-17612 D. EICHORN**

BATHURST/LAWRENCE
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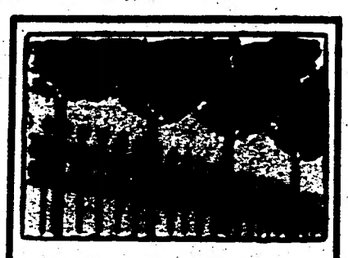

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"This is a customer service oriented store," she says, adding that the staff treat clients the way they expect to be treated when they are shopping themselves.

She describes the atmosphere in the store as relaxed, very friendly and not intimidating. The highly-qualified staff are ready to supply helpful service without pressure. Only personal and caring sales service is offered.

The well-stocked store carries both modern and contemporay designs as well as traditional pieces.

The newly-renovated 7,000 square foot store contains a complete range of kitchenware, dinnerware, stemware, flatware and decorative giftware.

"The products we sell are second to none in quality and value," Bronsteter adds.

Some of the special services Bronson's provides include gift wrapping and same day delivery, corporate and office sales and telephone orders. The computerized inventory means quick service.

Bronson's also operates one of the largest bridal registries in the city.

The service is one that caters to all budgets. Bronsteter says the huge selection of quality items means the store has something for everyone.

Bronson's has been operating for more than 12 years. It is located at 2 Steeles Ave. W. and parking is plentiful.

Up-to-date stock

Bronson's competitive pricing policy also adds to the popularity of the business. Bronsteter says she will match any of her competitor's prices, upon confirmation.

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"We are constantly improving our service to meet the high standard of our clients. We offer them the most competitive prices and the best quality products," he says.

Gnat says people are buying appliances and he refers to the summertime as the height of the renovation market. He stresses that Midnorthern Appliance specializes in mid to high priced, quality appliances for those who are renovating.

Midnorthern Appliance carries all of the major brands ranging from North American to imported European products.

They have three retail showrooms at 225 Steeprock Dr. in Downsview, 1911 Kennedy Rd. in Scarborough and 3013 Dufferin St. in Toronto, operating under both the names of Midnorthern Appliance and Leder Appliance distributors.

As part of their top customer service, the company operates a factory authorized service and parts department. Gnat adds that they will also arrange for the installation of built-in appliances.

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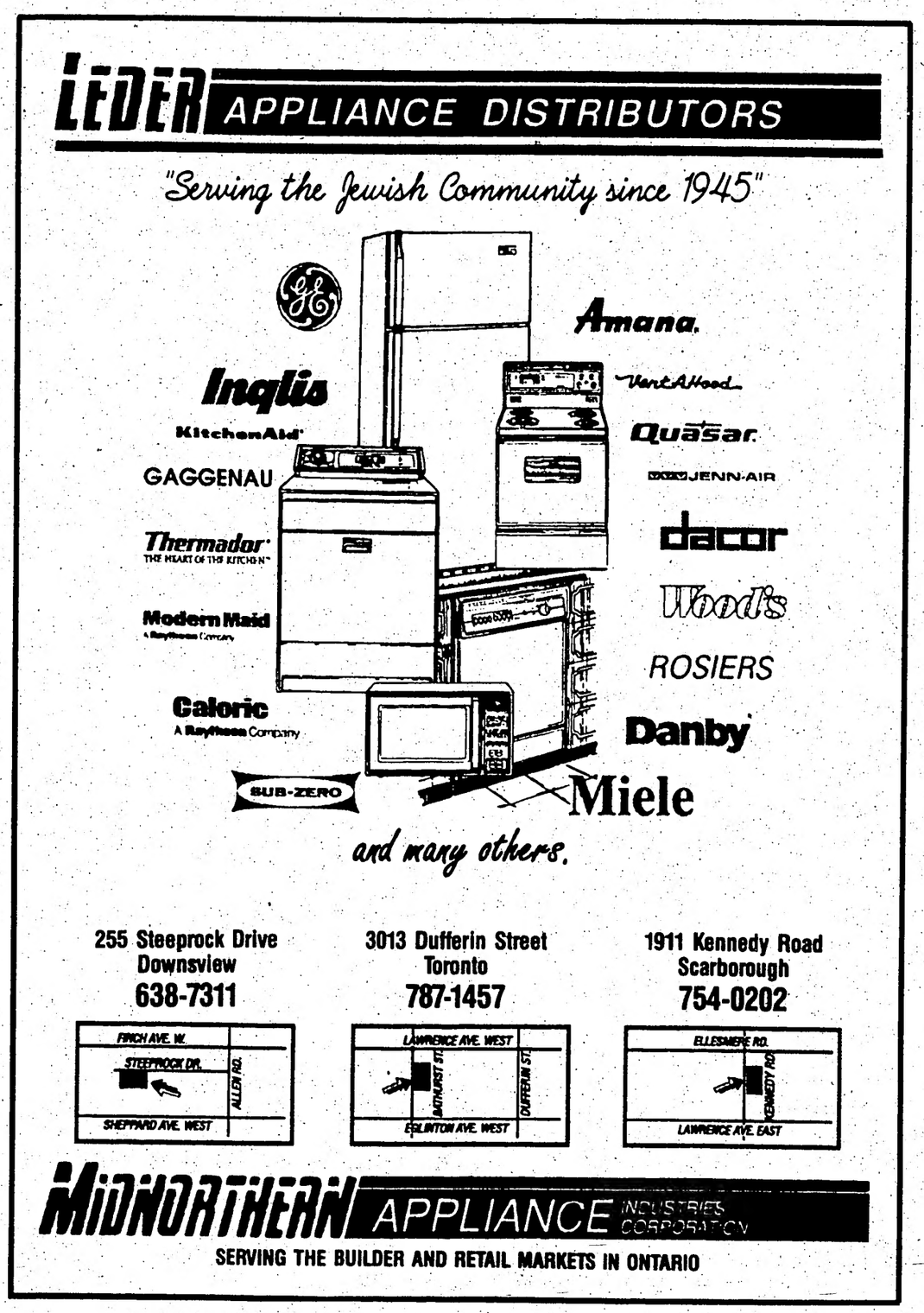

Low-rise condominiums called unique

Town Villas of Hollywood Plaza is the new Camrost Development Corporation project that will introduce 48 luxury units to Hollywood Avenue.

Patrick O'Hanlon, vice president of sales and marketing, calls the project unique and dynamic.

Essentially, the project offers low-rise luxury condominium living in the heart of North York.

The whole structure of Hollywood Plaza is three storeys. The first two storeys are town homes while the third features single-level villas.

The two storey units have direct access from the parking garage and the third level has elevator access.

As far as price is concerned, O'Hanlon says the units range from $149,900 to $229,000. He adds that specifically the two storey units run from $199,900 to $229,900.

O'Hanlon says that the units are unique in design because there is a lot of space with which to work. Along with the two storey feature, O'Hanlon points out the creative kitchens with the breakfast counter. As well, the single-level units are wide and designed with many windows so they are light and airy.

The units also feature marble foyers, 40 oz. carpets, ceramic flooring in the kitchen and bathroom and patios on the two storey units. Lavish landscaping has been planned. Each unit also comes with one parking space.

O'Hanlon says that the location of the units is one of the most important features. He points out that low-rise condominiums are located in an established neighborhood.

Buyers are close to all amenities of downtown North York. He says that while the project is actually located in one of Canada's fastest growing downtowns, the units are nestled in a low-rise community.

In July, the company will be featuring a special release to the public so those interested can see the designs and they will be presented with an opportunity to purchase a unit.

O'Hanlon adds that the company plans to begin construction next month and hopes the project will be completed by March 1993.

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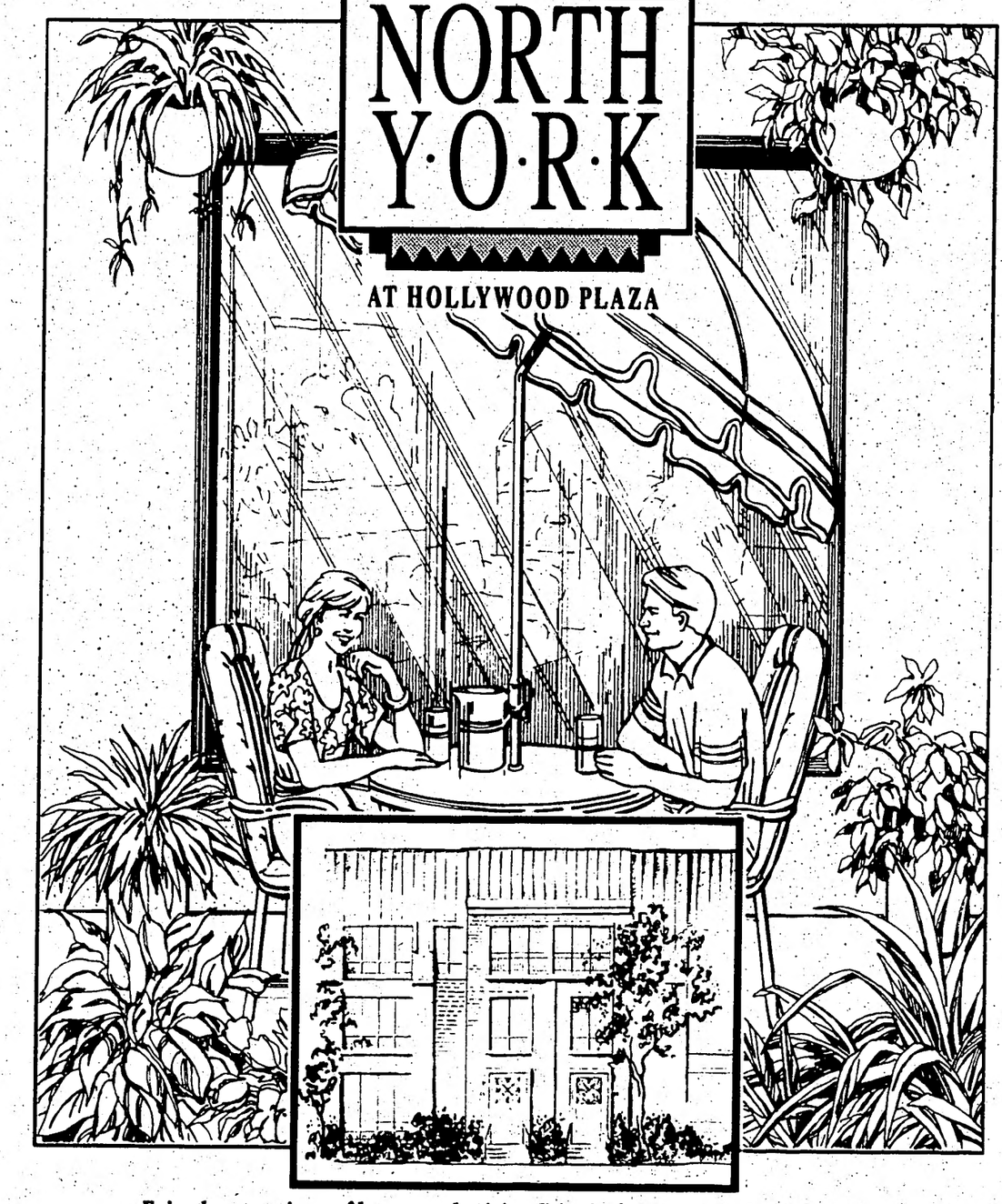

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If Parkwood's after-sale service philosophy is not immediately obvious in their showroom, it certainly is apparent upon one's initial visit to the service department.

It is here one realizes that to the people of Parkwood, service means more than just maintaining or repairing an automobile as the miles and years mount up. It means exceeding the customer's expectations from the start. And Parkwood does. In addition, they also offer patrons many extras.

Complimentary hand car washes follow every scheduled service appointment. Customers are welcomed back any other time at their convenience for a quick wash and dry.

Customers may also take advantage of free preventative maintenance inspections, valet service and a shuttle bus service, which will pick up and deliver them at no charge anywhere within a five-mile radius of the dealership.

As for Cadillac owners, Parkwood now has roadside service available throughout Canada and the United States. A 24-hour, toll-free number puts the customer in touch with an advisor or technician who provides expedient assistance.

Most recently, Elmer Soliday from New York experienced a brake problem while in Toronto. He was tended by Peter Whyte, Parkwood's general service manager.

Upon returning home, Soliday sent a letter to the president of Parkwood, Paul Stern, in which he stated, "Within 30 minutes my car was repaired and I was on my way with my vacation still intact. I hope that if any of our friends to the north ever have car trouble when south of the border, we treat them as I was treated at your dealership."

The New Parkwood Central has indeed received many letters similar to Soliday's. Considering the nature of the automotive business and the public's often stereotypical perception of dealerships, such glowing recognition from satisfied customers speaks volumes. And it certainly provides an idea as to why they come back time and time again.

Such staunch loyalty may be the most revealing insight of all.

Flexibility is key to rental, office leasing business

It's no secret that in today's uncertain business climate many entrepreneurs and relocators are reluctant to make the long-term financial commitment that's an integral part of the traditional five-year lease, says Earl Tucker of Locations Inc. Realtor.

That's why the Super Lease program for two new Richmond Hill plazas — Heritage Estates and Hunter's Point — offer prospective retail and office tenants the flexibility of a two- to five-year term.

The flexible term is part of a special Super Lease plan that combines a six-month, rent-free move-in allowance, a best rate feature and a flexible term.

"Whether you're starting up a new business or looking to moveup to a new modern location, all tenants share three basic concerns," says Tucker.

"They're concerned about move-in costs, about getting the best value, and they're concerned about long-term financial commitments.

"The Super Lease answers all three concerns," Tucker points out.

"The rent-free period helps minimize start-up/relocation costs. Our new lower rates make us a best buy for comparable space in the area. And finally, our two- to five-year term offers the kind of flexibility clients are looking for in today's uncertain business economy."

Both Heritage Estates and Hunter's Point offer prime 900 to 9,000 sq. ft. space in desirable locations for retail, business and professional use. The surrounding area, within a five-mile radius, includes many of Richmond Hill's newest residential single family and major condominium projects.

Heritage Estates on Regent Street is a residential location in the heart of an affluent neighborhood of new homes. Hunter's Point, at Hwy 7 and Hunter's Point Drive, is a stoplight location on busy Hwy 7.

The modern architectural environment and flexible floorplate design of both plazas offer a wide choice of retail, business and professional office applications, says Tucker.

"We like to work closely with our clients and we custom tailor every lease to meet each client's particular requirements. Often this involves custom-design work as part of an optional finishing package.

"The objective is simple," Tucker points out.

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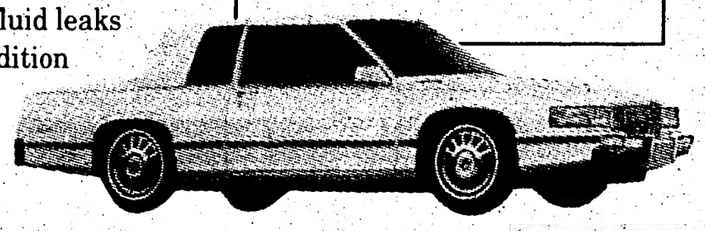

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Relaxing setting found at Roppongi

The private rooms that are available for private parties are usually booked. She adds that part of the appeal these rooms hold is that each has a karaoke machine.

The soundproofing of each room means that the party participants have the choice of afterdinner talk while being serenaded by colleagues or they may opt to croon a tune themselves.

The facilities are also used for corporate business meetings.

Ho adds that she and her staff go out of their way to accommodate the customers. For example, although the restaurant does not offer a buffet in the main dining room, the chefs will make one to order for parties.

As well, in the diningroom, if a client requests a dish done a special way, these wishes are met. Ho demonstrates this service with the example of a meat dish requested by a vegetarian who wanted the flavor of the meal but not the meat.

Even the menu is designed to please all. Although Roppongi's is noted for the Szechuan dishes, customers have the choice of mild, medium or hot spices or no spice at all. The hot dishes are specially noted on the menus.

"We try to meet all the requirements. When customers leave the restaurant happy, we know they were pleased with the service and satisfied with the food," she says.

Roppongi is located at 230 Richmond St. W. To make a reservation call 977-6622.

Chinese, Szechuan

If you're looking for authentic Chinese and Szechuan cooking, Roppongi is the place to dine.

Owner Athena Ho says that as far as prices are concerned, at her restaurant, two people can dine for around $45.

Roppongi is a perfect backdrop for either a quick lunch or a relaxing dinner.

Ho describes Roppongi as modern and trendy in decor. She points out that while most traditional Chinese restaurants are embellished in shades of red and gold, her establishment mixes wood and metallic furnishings combined with excellent Szechuan Epicurean delights. The word elegant comes to mind.

While the atmosphere is quiet, jazz plays to the lunchtime crowds and soft music relaxes the dinner groups. Ho is quick to point out that Roppongi is not offering formal dining.

Trouble-free

Scarborough Lexus Toyota goes all the way to serve clients

The salesperson sells the first car but customer service sells the second, says Kevin Baxter, sales manager of the Scarborough Lexus Toyota dealership.

"We go that extra bit to make sure the customer is 100 percent satisfied," he adds.

Clients receive one-on-one service from what Baxter called the service team. This group includes one service advisor, one person who looks after customer appointments, one who hand-washes the vehicles, two Lexus mechanics and one person who looks after the valet service.

Baxter says clients have the choice between a loaner vehicle or the use of the company's valet service when they bring their cars in for maintenance.

Lexus was recently given the J. D. Power awards for the highest level of customer satisfaction and the LS400 model was recognized as the most trouble-free car.

Another model in the Lexus lineup is the ES300, which Baxter explains is the introductory model which ranges in price from mid to upper $30,000s.

The two-door coupe model, the SC400 is priced mid to upper $50,000s and the LS400, the large four-door model, is available in the low $60,000.

Baxter describes his clients as image-conscious professionals or retirees who are in the upper income bracket. He says that the client is looking for a luxury car without hassles.

He stresses that the Lexus client is looking for a simple package that ensures that all the luxury options are standard.

"Essentially, they want to choose the color and that's all. They don't want to hear four years down the road that they should have bought this model that supplies this option. They want something that is completely equipped."

As far as sales are concerned, Baxter says that those people who had put off purchasing big ticket items, are now buying. In addition, Baxter adds that current low interest rates make leasing a vehicle a real bargain.

Lexus was first manufactured by Toyota in 1990 in the United States. The development of the vehicle began at least eight years before that, Baxter says. The car was introduced to the Canadian market in October, 1990.

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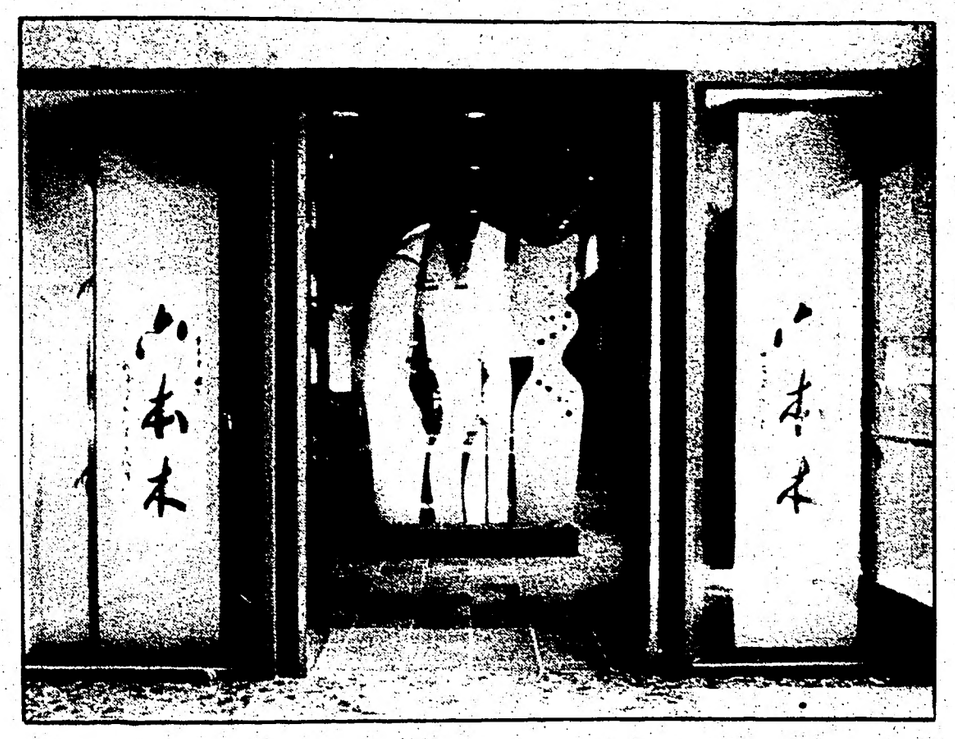

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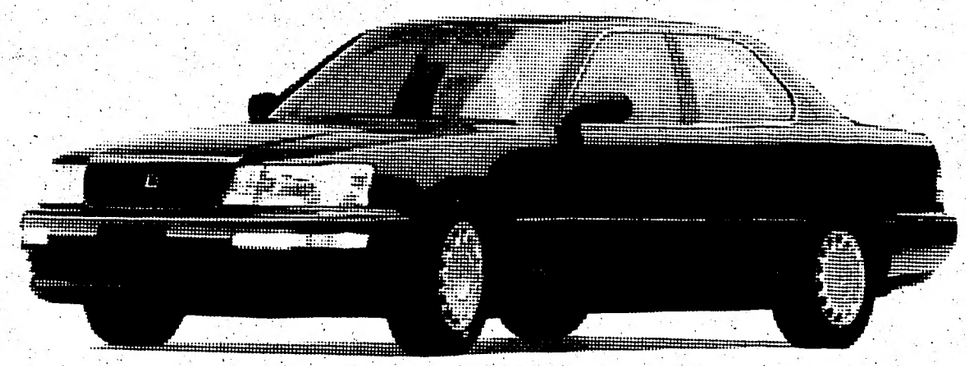

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Restaurant offers deli and Israeli delicacies

The customer is the boss, says new Zelies Skyrise Restaurant and Deli owner Joel Zelden.

This is one personal credo that has worked for Zelden for the past 21 years that he has been in the restaurant and catering business.

Zelden was the owner of the original Zely's, and he says that his latest restaurant, located at the corner of Clark and Yonge in Thornhill, will be like the old Zely's used to be, only more.

The same menu will prevail but Zelden has made a few changes. Mainly, the restaurant will offer traditional Jewish deli and Middle Eastern Israeli foods. He adds that a children's menu is also available.

The emphasis is on homestyle cooking. He says the pastrami is spiced in the old-fashioned way and the roast beef is excellent.

"You don't find food like that today. It's just like Mom's ... but better," he says with a smile.

Friendliness and warmth is also a big part of the success or failure of a restaurant. At Zelies, the customer will always be greeted with a smile and they will be treated curtiously.

The restaurant can accommodate up to 120 customers, but Zelden says that for the first few months of operation he will limit it to 75 to ensure the proper treatment of his clientele.

The patio, which will be open next year, can accommodate up to 60.

The restaurant is eager to accommodate parties, and the staff will go out of their way to welcome the local bowling and baseball teams.

Zelden says that his prices are competitive. In addition to the daily lunch and dinner specials, Zelden plans to get business from catering to the corporate world with his take-out service. The take-out side of the company is another example of customer service.

He adds that in the near future, as business grows, Zelies will be offering a complete line-up of cakes and desserts.

Zelies, 771-1833, is open 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Sunday.

Luxury rooftop patio at Terrace Heights

The Terrace Heights Condominium Residences by Samstar Developments Ltd., will offer 24 units in a low-rise building, says Nick Sampogna, president and owner of the complex.

The third floor will house the rooftop terrace that will feature a hot tub, an exercise room, two saunas and shower facilities. The 1,200 foot long terrace will be landscaped with benches that will be sure to please the eye.

Sampogna says that the building has been designed to attract those people who already live in the area, hence a low-rise structure that will offer buyers a community atmosphere.

says the development features eight one-bedroom and 16 two-bedroom units

Construction began one month ago and to date, the complex is out of the ground.

Each unit has a marble foyer, four appliances, ceramic flooring in the kitchen and bathrooms and a washer/dryer. A parking space and storage facilities are also provided for each condo.

One buying trend that Sampogna noted is that people are tired of the 200 to 300-unit condominium buildings that have flourished in the city.

He says that many buyers who have sold their homes want to purchase something that will provide a

Prime location

Terrace Heights is located on the southeast corner of Wilson Heights Boulevard and Sheppard Avenue. Sampogna points out that it is walking distance to the subway and close to the 401 and the Allan expressway.

The condos are also close to many amenities, including the Yorkdale Shopping Centre and the Borochov Cultural Centre.

Sampogna says sales are going well. In the past two months, 16 of the 24 units have sold. Sampogna

close, community atmosphere and spark a sense of belonging. Terrace Heights is such place.

The units range in price from $109,900 to $159,900.

For more information, those interested can call the head office at 782-2334 or the sales office at 638-7847. Clients can also visit the on site sales office from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday to Thursday and from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

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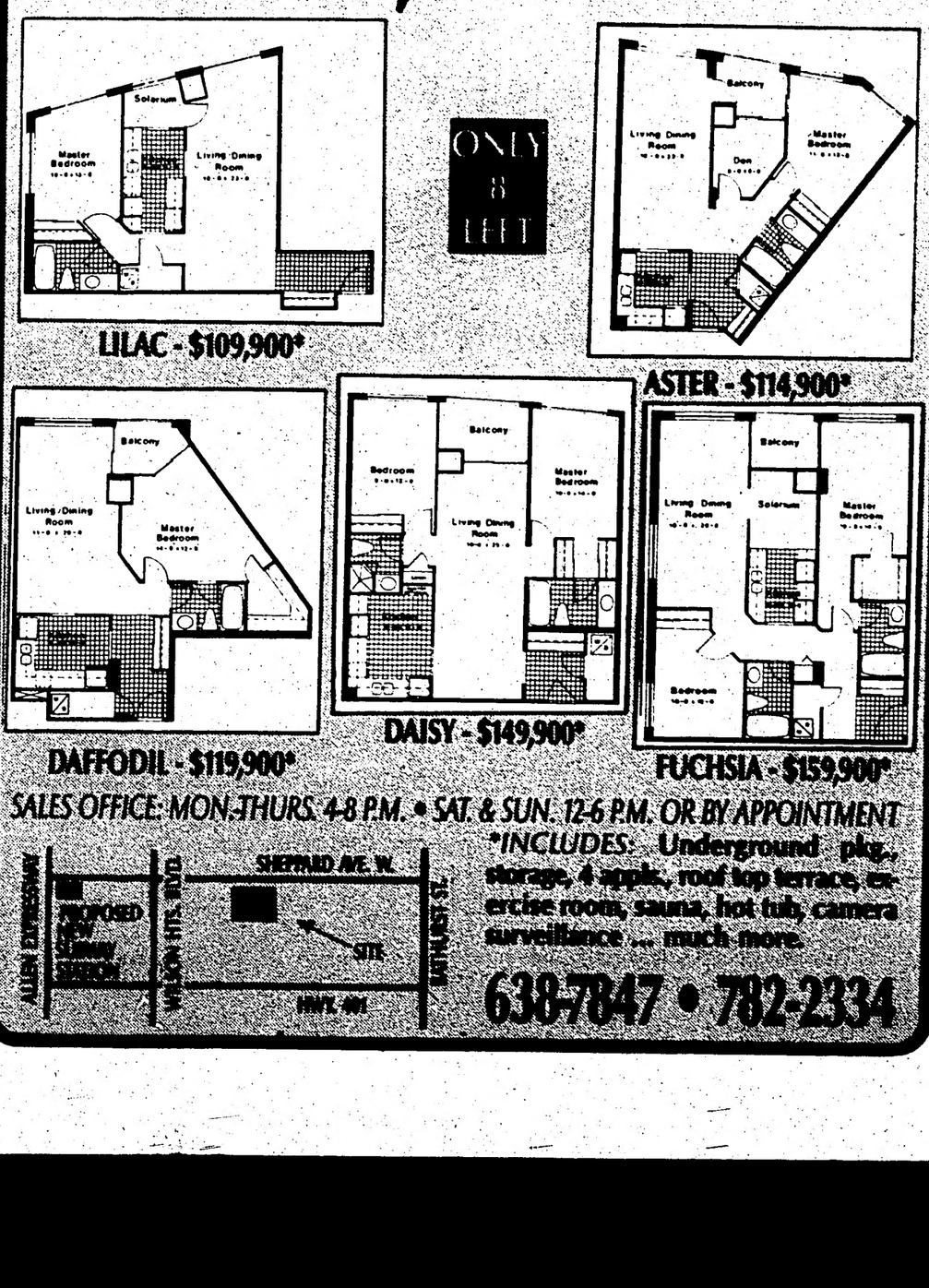

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Diverse program

Classical Cruises tour explores rich cultural legacy of European Jews

A special program on the Jewish Heritage of the Mediterranean is offered this fall by Classical Cruises aboard the small luxury ship Aurora II.

The cruise and land program explores the diverse heritage of European Jews in the lands that border the Mediterranean — Greece, Italy, France and Spain. Program participants will explore sites that preserve the rich religious cultural legacy of the Jewish people.

Jewish Heritage of the Mediterranean provides opportunities for inquisitive travellers to gain a fuller appreciation of the vital contributions made by the Jewish people to the culture of the West.

A special team of scholars who are experts in Jewish history will lead the voyage and offer informative lectures throughout the cruise.

The specially designed itinerary includes visits to fascinating sites where the history of Western civilization was enacted. While the program explores the glories of ancient Athens and Roman Arles, Moorish Granada and Renaissance Florence, it also focuses on the vital contributions made by Jewish scholars and artists.

Highlights include the baroque Great Synagogue of Rome, the Moorish Synagogue of Florence and the unique marble synagogue of Viareggio. The program also features a visit to the Chagall Museum in Cimiez, exploration of Pompeii and Herculaneum, tours of the Tuscan city of Pisa and an excursion to the ruins of ancient Olympia in Greece.

Special team

The 15-day voyage takes place Nov. 18 to Dec. 2, 1992, aboard the elegant 80-passenger vessel Aurora II. Rates range from $4,245 to $5,445 per person, double occupancy, based on cabin selection. Air fare is not included. Persons registering before Aug. 30 receive a $1,000 per person early booking discount.

To register or to receive more information, please call Fisher — Fremont Travel at (416) 481-3323.

Northtown Ford offers a good line of family vehicles

Harold Hadley, president of Northtown Ford, is pleased to announce the appointment of George Kaplan as general sales manager.

Kaplan began his career at Northtown Ford in 1967 as a salesman and has held positions of increasing responsibility as sales manager and general sales manager between the years of 1967 and 1984.

He then left to open up his own dealership in Guelph in 1985 and has since returned to live in Thornhill with his wife, Frances, and their three children.

In his new position, Kaplan will be responsible for all facets of sales and leasing at Northtown Ford.

He invites all his previous customers to call or drop by the dealership, which is located at 7120 Yonge St. in Thornhill.

Kaplan points out that the Ford Tempo and Taurus lineup are selling well as a family car in part because of the great factory rebates that are available at this time.

He adds that the Aerostar is a popular utility vehicle.

"The marriage only begins once the car has been purchased," Kaplan says, stressing that the sales staff is in constant contact with clients to see that they are satisfied with their new vehicles.

Northtown Ford's dedication to customer service is also seen in other ways, such as the courtesy bus that shuttles clients back and forth to the subway when they bring their cars in for maintenance.

Northtown Ford in one of Canada's largest Ford dealerships north of Toronto and is a member of the HOJ group of companies. In this respect it provides service, body shop, parts and short-term rentals of automobiles and trucks, all in one location.

The sales department at Northtown Ford is open Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday to Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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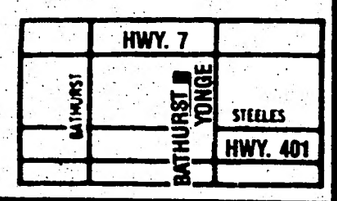

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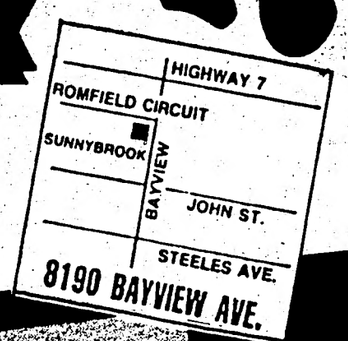

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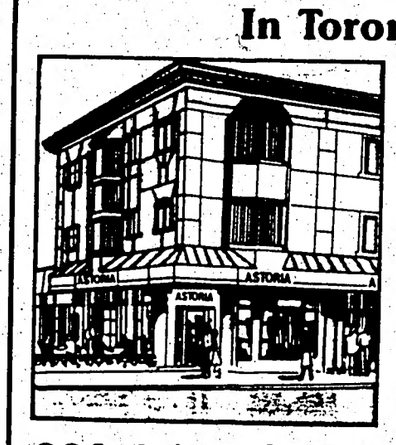

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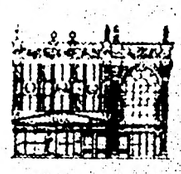

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Korry's creates perfect all-season wardrobes

Saul Korman makes his money going through people's wardrobes.

As president of Korry's Clothiers to Gentlemen, located at 569 Danforth Ave., Korman is known as the wardrobe consultant to a variety of high-level politicians, businessmen and media personalities.

He has developed unique perspective on the dress habits of the North American man and a unique wardrobe analysis system designed to help his clients maximize their clothing potential.

Through extensive research into a client's lifestyle, business and social obligations, hobbies, present wardrobe and budget, Korman can advise how to create and maintain the perfect wardrobe for all seasons and situations.

Korman and his friendly, efficient, professional staff also provide other services that have customer convenience in mind. The executive service provides a full wardrobe analysis and suit fittings in the privacy of the office, at no extra charge for this exclusive service.

The color consulting service is available by appointment through the store. This service is of particular interest to men who want to maximize their clothing image. Clients requiring accessory co-ordination may request their outfits be color-coded free of charge at the time of purchase.

Many of today's corporations are concerned with the presentation of a unified public image so Korry's corporate wardrobe planning is essential. This offers a group consulting package which features employee workshops and seminars which deal with the development of corporate style.

Every service and event conducted at Korry's is done with style. For example, the recent Canali trunk show, an exclusive showing of next season's styles expertly modelled, was a success partly because the occasion was catered by the Palace Restaurant, also located on the Danforth.

Korman says that the merchants within the Danforth community, which has housed this three-generation family business for the past 42 years, are very supportive of one another. A family atmosphere pervades the community.

Renowned as one of Canada's leading menswear stores, Korry's spacious two levels house an extensive collection of designer suits, sports jackets, casual wear, coats, shirts, accessories and outer wear, many of which are exclusive to the store. Top designer labels include such names as Giorgio Armani, Canali, Radaelli, Leonardo, Baumler, Emilio Montana and many more.

Korry's atmosphere is always relaxed and friendly; customers frequently stopping by for coffee and bagels, or for a cup of espresso and a chat.

Daina's kitchen stresses freshness

The decor is French country. The red-and-white checkered tableclothes and the 10-person patio along with the lattice woodwork do much to add to the charm of Daina's In the Kitchen Too, a restaurant/catering business located at 217 Danforth Ave.

"Our food is not run of the mill," says owner Daina Paulius.

She stresses the fact the her dishes are made from only the freshest of ingredients. Paulius adds that her restaurant is known for its deluxe sandwiches that are served on homemade bread.

Some of the different types of bread available include dill, nutty seed, honey and whole wheat, onion and cheddar, cumin and herb parmesan.

If this lineup seems very health conscious, it is, as this is another thing that Paulius prides herself on.

"We grill up to 90 percent of our food — vegetables or meat," she says with a smile.

As far as the catering end is concerned, Paulius points out that the main business comes from supplying corporate functions. In the past, Paulius has catered business luncheons, receptions, picnics, breakfast meetings and more.

She stresses that the number is not important. Her staff can accommodate parties that range anywhere from 580 to two people.

Accommodation and customer service is the name of the game in the restaurant industry and no-one knows that better than the staff at Daina's In the Kitchen Too.

Paulius cites the example of a client who called in a large corporate order at 11:30 a.m. to be delivered by 12:30 p.m. as an example of the kind of service client's will receive at her establishment.

Paulius is a self-taught entrepreneur who has apprenticed under many well-known chefs. Her love of cooking has taken her to where she is today. Paulius adds that she looks for the same enthusiasm, motivation and self-direction from her staff.

While Daina's In the Kitchen Too has been in business for the past eight years, Paulius just joined the Danforth two months ago and already has attracted a large number of regulars.

She adds that the Danforth merchants operate their own support mechanism within the community.

Daina's In the Kitchen Too is open Monday to Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. but the catering side of the business is available all week long.

For the fall, Paulius is offering cooking classes and wine tasting. Spots will be offered on a first come, first served basis so those interested can call 406-6001 for information.

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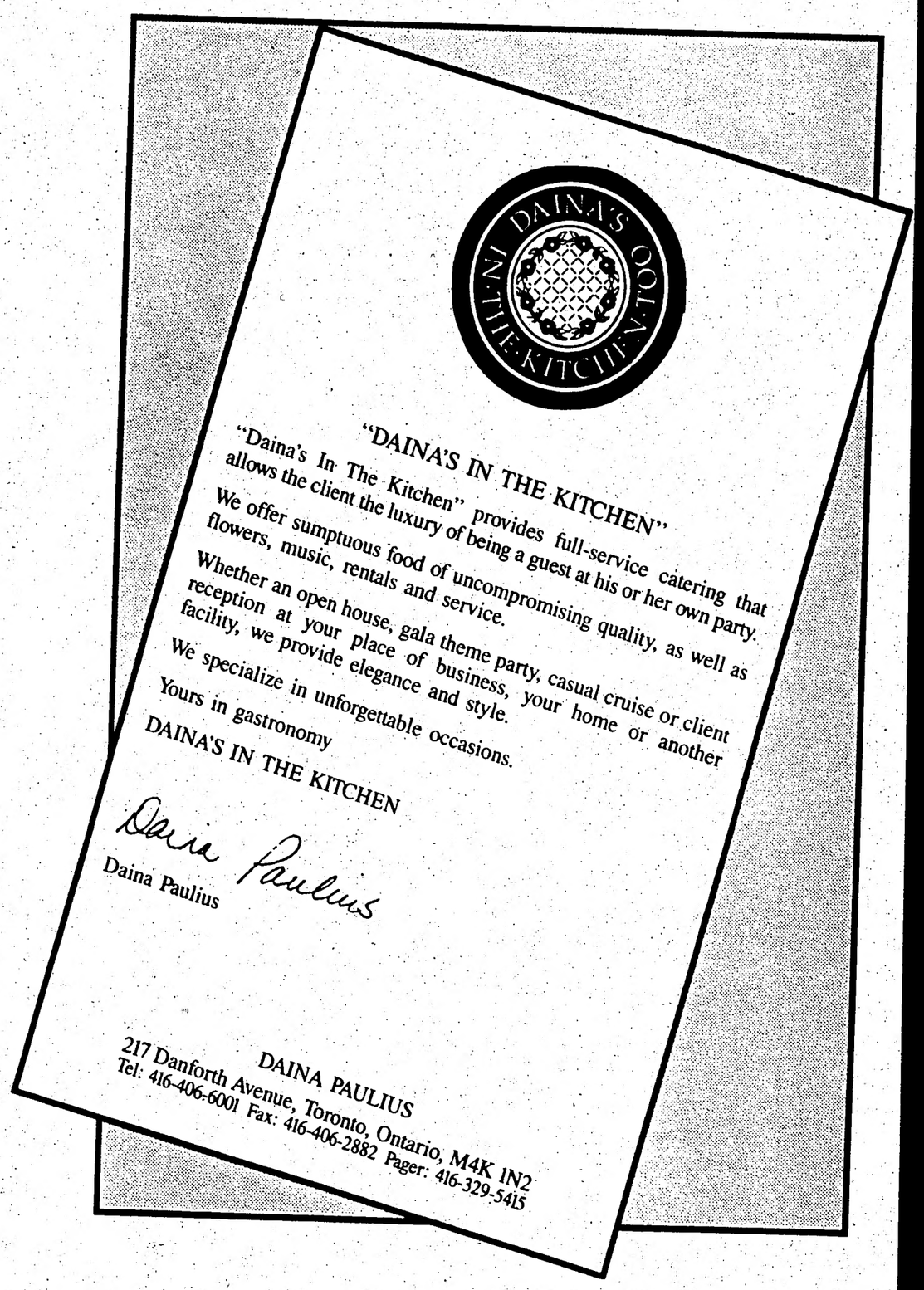
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Ouzeri offers fun times

"Ooo 'zair 'ee" n. (Greek. ozo - firewater plus 'eri - a place to get it).

Technically, the Ouzeri is a restaurant, but by definition only — there is much, much more.

Located at 500A Danforth Ave., in the heart of the Danforth Village, it has been referred to, for lack of a better word, as a restaurant.

Apart from offering some of the best food on the Danforth, particularly specializing in appetizers, its vast selection of wines, loud music and brightly colored decor are ingredients to a recipe that creates lineups that stretch half a block long.

Recently celebrating two years of madness, the Ouzeri's continued success can be attributed to the indoor/outdoor ambience that reminds one of a Mediterranean fiesta. A two-level restaurant that is open to the street, the Ouzeri breathes life onto the Danforth while at the same time blending into its traffic.

In addition to being the coolest spot on the hot Danforth, it is also a restaurant that offers an impressive menu consisting of 116 items that aim to satisfy everyone from vegetarians to honey-soaked dessert lovers.

The Ouzeri does not believe in the two dreaded R words — recession and reservation.

Therefore, arriving before 6:30 p.m. could mean the difference between a people-watching, second tier table or a frustrating, stomach-growling line up.

And, for those who prefer to avoid the grueling dinner lines, the kitchen is open until 4 a.m., allowing even the seasoned night owl an opportunity to dine on Greek cuisine.

Christina's has great shows, food, service

Christina's is unique.

Where else can you go to enjoy traditional belly dancing, listen to the owner sing *New York, New York* with one of the regulars and enjoy the company of famous patrons until 4 or 5 a.m.? All this, and great food too.

The family-owned restaurant, named for the owner's grandmother, has been operating at 492 Danforth Ave. for six years. Dean Kekkas, his brother John and Steve Tsicolas, known as Uncle Steve, have gone out of their way to find unique ways to attract clients and keep them coming back.

If the entertainment doesn't get you, the service and the food certainly will.

Dean explains that the menu at Christina's offers traditional Greek dishes with an Italian twist.

His historical explanation reveals that the Island of Rhodes was owned by Italy from 1920 to 1945. Born in Rhodes, Dean was subject to this Italian influence.

Once in Canada, Dean says he decided to do something different with his restaurant.

Today, along with the traditional potatoes and rice, customers at Christina's are also able to select from a full array of pastas. This seems to be a winning combination.

Another reason why so many people are drawn to Christina's includes the hours of operation.

Dean says that from Sunday to Thursday, his restaurant is open from 11:30 a.m. and does not close until 4 a.m. the next morning. On Friday and Saturday they are open until 5 a.m.

Asked why he opted for the extended hours, Dean says he thought there was a real need for safe, late night establishments, especially for women.

When he initially opened, Dean says he used women as his spokesmen because he wanted to convey the message that it was a comfortable alternative for females who wanted some place to go after everything else closed.

This too is another idea that is working. As Dean points out, there is always a lineup outside his restaurant between 2 a.m. and 3:30 a.m.

Part of the appeal of the Danforth are the outside patios, and again, Christina's offers nothing but the best.

Dean says that his two-tier patio is a hit. The restaurant itself seats 100 people and the lounge/bar can house another 20.

Despite the amount of seating, the establishment is usually full and the lineups extensive. Christina's follows a first come, first served basis.

"Christina's offers customers a Mediterranean atmosphere. They feel like they have been transported to another country," Dean says.

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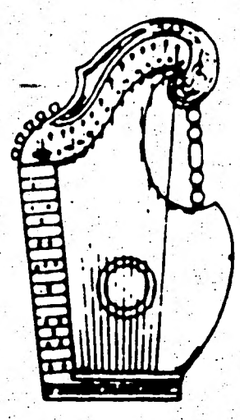

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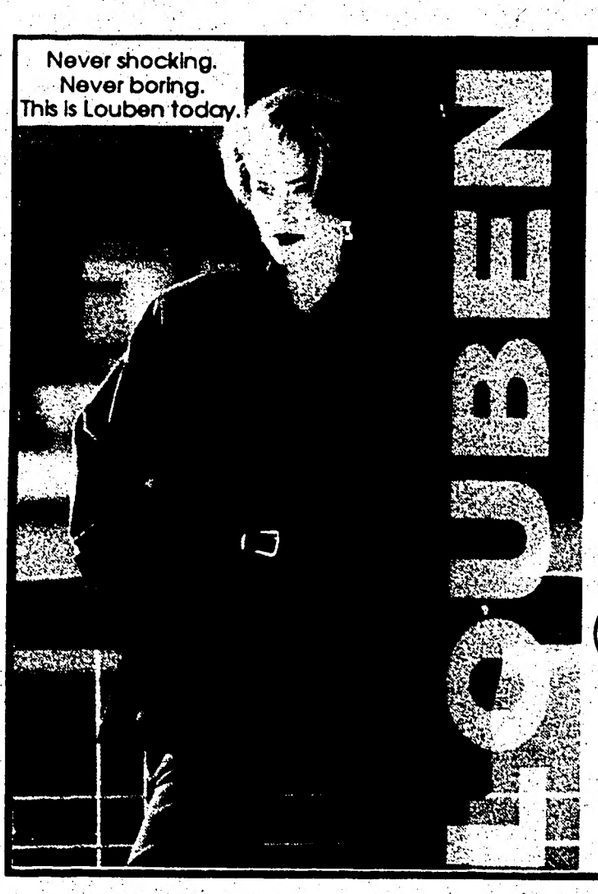

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